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376	12/29/45	WFO let HQ w/ encl.	1/3	1/3	
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386	1/11/46	WFO TT HQ, NY	2	2	
387	1/24/46	Mumford memo Ladd	1	1	b7c
388	1/21/46	BS let HQ	3	3	b2 b7D
388	1/25/46	HQ TT NY	1	1	b1
389	-	Change to serial	-	-	
390	-	change to serial	1	1	
391	1/23/46	WFO TT HQ, NY	1	1	
392	1/18/46	SP rept	2	2	
393	1/17/46	SE let HQ w/enc	5/11	4/11	b7c
394	1/22/46	WFO TT HQ, NY	1	1	

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403x3	11/20/45	HQ let AG	1	1	
403x4	11/23/45	NY let HQ	1	1	
403x5	11/17/45	HQ let AG	1	1	
403x6	11/8/45	HQ let White House	3	3	
403x7	11/14/45	Dir mem Tolson, Tamm	1	1	
403x8	11/15/45	Dir mem Tolson, Tamm, Ladd	3	3	b1
404	11/23/46	NY TT HQ, WFO	3	3	
405	12/8/45	memo	1	1	b1
406	1/28/46	Ladd memo Dir	1	1	b1
407	1/25/46	memo	2	2	b1

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408x1	11/27/45	NY let HQ	1	1	
409	11/30/45	NY let HQ <i>encl</i>	1/2	1/2	b1
409x	11/30/45	SA memo SAC, WFO	14	14	b1
410	12/23/46	NY TT HQ, WFO	3	3	b2 b7D
411	12/25/45	HQ let NY w/ encl	1/9	1/9	b2 b7D b1 <i>ppr nfr</i>
412	12/3/45	Whitson memo Ladd	1	1	b1
413	12/3/45	Ladd memo Tamm	1	1	b2 b7D
414	1/15/46	WFO TT HQ, NY	2	2	
415	1/24/46	Rosen memo Tamm	1	1	
416	1/17/46	NY TT HQ, WFO	1	1	

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Director, FBI

RE: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, Was, Et Al
ESPIONAGE - R

Dear Sir:

There are enclosed herewith two photographs for the Bureau and New York Field Division of MAURICE HALPERIN and BERNARD S. REDMONT. There are also enclosed for the Bureau two photographs of CLAYMER SCHLUTER, which were obtained from Columbia University and were taken at the time that SCHLUTER entered that institution in 1928. The New York Field Division is already in possession of photographs of SCHLUTER.

Very truly yours,

GUY HOTTEL
SAC

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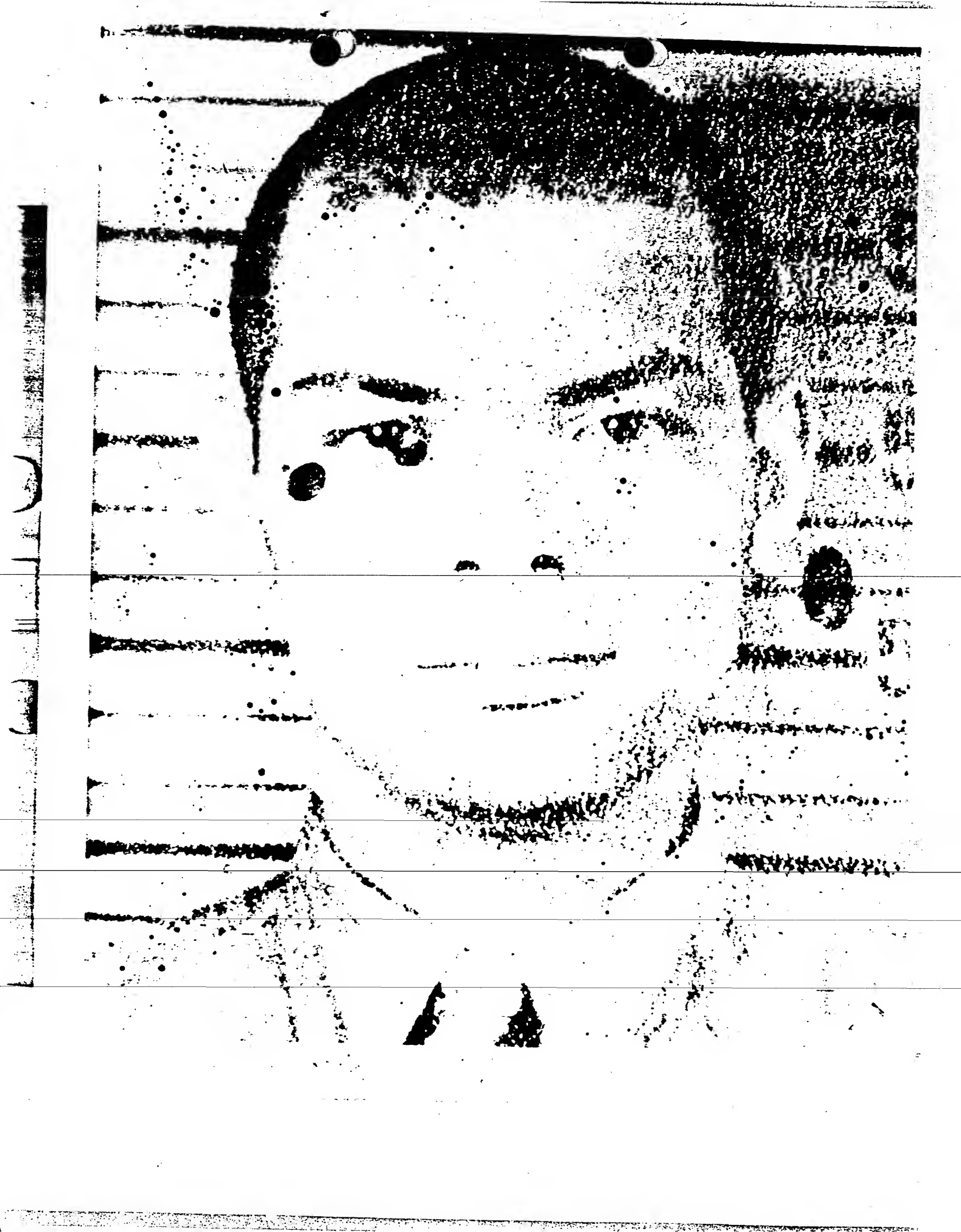
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ATTENTION MR. D. M. LADD.

N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS., ET AL. ESPIONAGE - R. UNKNOWN SUBJECT

WHO MET WITH SILVERMASTER IN WASHINGTON, D. C. ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON
DECEMBER FIRST WAS SURVEILLED BY NY AGENTS TO APARTMENT BUILDING AT
TWO NINE NAUGHT, EMPIER BOULEVARD, BROOKLYN, NY. THIS INDIVIDUAL MADE
VIGOROUS AND DETERMINED EFFORTS TO SHAKE THE SURVEILLING AGENTS. HIS
IDENTITY HAS NOT YET BEEN DETERMINED BUT THE SURVEILLANCE IS BEING MAIN-
TAINED. SUBJECT RAY ELSON, ACCOMPANIED BY HER HUSBAND, ATTENDED THE DI-
OF ASSOCIATES OF U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORP. ON NOVEMBER THIRTIETH
THEY WERE DRIVEN HOME AFTER THE DINNER BY COLONEL J. H. REYNOLDS. NO
UNUSUAL ACTIVITY NOTED OVER WEEKEND EXCEPT ONE CONTACT BELIEVED TO BE
OF A SOCIAL NATURE. ~~CONFIDENTIAL~~ INFORMANT [REDACTED] HAS REPO-
SEVERAL CONVERSATIONS APPARENTLY OF A SOCIAL NATURE WITH ONE EXCEPTION,
WHEN INFORMATION WAS RECEIVED THAT RAY ELSON HAS SOME PLAN TO BE ABSENT
FROM HER RESIDENCE ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER FIFTH. LAUCHLIN CURRIE HAS
RETURNED TO NYC AND IS PRESENTLY BEING SURVEILLED. MILDRED PRICE
HAS BEEN LOCATED AND IS PRESENTLY RESIDING AT FOUR TWO NAUGHT WEST

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ONE ONE EIGHT STREET, NYC WITH HER HUSBAND, HAROLD COY, AND IS WORKING AS EXECUTIVE SECRETARY OF THE CHINA AID COUNCIL, SEVENTEEN NINETY BROADWAY, NYC. SHE IS PRESENTLY UNDER SURVEILLANCE. PAULINE ROGERS IDENTIFIED AS RESIDING AT THREE ONE SEVEN WEST NINETY THIRD STREET, APARTMENT FIVE A AS PAULINE ROYCE WITH MAN BELIEVED TO BE HUSBAND, OSCAR ROSEN. SURVEILLANCE BEING CONDUCTED RE ROGERS ACTIVITIES. NO DEVELOPMENTS AS OF THIS DATE. [A CHECK OF TOLL CALLS AT NY TELEPHONE COMPANY SHOWED A CALL MADE FROM ELDORADO FIVE DASH NAUGHT SEVEN EIGHT ONE, THE TELEPHONE LISTED TO ABRAHAM WEINSTEIN, DENTIST, WITH OFFICES AT TWENTY EAST FIFTYTHIRD STREET, NYC, TO MRS. GREGG, TELEPHONE RANDOL FIVE NAUGHT SEVEN NAUGHT AT NINE FIFTYFIVE AM ON NOVEMBER TWENTYEIGHT, NINETEEN FORTYFIVE. THIS IS THE SAME WEINSTEIN MENTIONED IN TELETYPE OF NOVEMBER THIRTY, NINETEEN FORTYFIVE.] *782*

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SOFT. ATTENTION D. M. LADD AND J. T. J. DONEGAN

NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS ET AL, ESPIONAGE R. MAURICE
HALPERIN PRESENTLY ~~RE-BOOK~~ ILL AND ~~BOOK~~ ORDERED TO STAY IN BED UNTIL
MONDAY. HALPERIN CANCELLED TRIP TO BOSTON. PETER RHODES IN NYC FOR WEE
END. NY ADVISED TO ~~BOOK~~ LOCATE AND PLACE UNDER SURVEILLANCE. ~~CONFID-~~
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ENDEAVORING TO OBTAIN A MILITARY PERMIT FOR GROMOV SO HE CAN FLY TO
RUSSIA VIA BERLIN. INFORMANT SUBSEQUENTLY ADVISED THAT [REDACTED]
[REDACTED] LAUCHLIN CURRIE ARRIVING
WASHINGTON FIVE THIRTY OCLOCK ~~PM~~ PM TODAY AND WILL BE PLACED UNDER
SURVEILLANCE. AT APPROXIMATELY TWO ~~TEN~~ TEN OCLOCK PM TODAY, IN COURSE
OF SURVEILLING SUBJECT GREGG, ~~SURVEILLING~~ SURVEILLING AGENT DISCOVERED
COUNTER SURVEILLANCE ON HIM WHICH CONTINUED THROUGH DOWNTOWN ~~AREA~~ ARE
OF WASHINGTON UNTIL TWO FORTY OCLOCK PM. DESCRIPTION OF INDIVIDUAL
WHO FOLLOWED ~~AGENT~~ AGENT IS AS FOLLOWS. WHITE, THIRY, TO THIRTY FIVE
YEARS, FIVE FEET NINE OR TEN INCHES IN HEIGHT, ONE HUNDRED SIXTY

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FIVE POUNDS, DARK BROWN HAIR, BROWN EYES, MEDIUM ATHLETIC BUILD, CLEANSHAVEN MEDIUM DARK COMPLEXION, NO GLASSES, FACE FULL BUT NOT BR DRESSED IN LIGHT TAN TOPCOAT, MEDIUM GRAY SNAP BRIM HAT WITH DARKER GRAY BAND, ~~SOILED~~ SOILED BLUE SHIRT WITH WHITE STRIPES, DARK GRAY PANTS, SHOES LIGHTER BROWN, DIRTY AND WELL WORN, AND WORD ~~DARK~~ DARK TIE WHICH WAS DISARRANGED TO THE LEFT OF HIS COLLAR. THERE IS NO DOUBT IN THE AGENTS MIND THAT HE WAS BEING CLOSELY SURVEILLED BY THIS INDIVIDUAL. SURVEILLANCE OF GREGG IMMEDIATELY DISCONTINUED UPON DISCOVERING COUNTER SURVEILLANCE. AGENT CAN ~~IDENTIFY~~ DEFINITELY IDENTIFY PERSON WHO FOLLOWED HIM. IN ORDER TO ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY AND OTHER COUNTER ~~SURVEILLANCE~~ SURVEILLANCE TONIGHT TWO ~~AGENTS~~ AGENTS HAVE BEEN ~~ASSIGNED~~ ASSIGNED TO SURVEIL THE SURVEILLING AGENTS OF GREGG IN AN EFFORT TO DETECT AND COUNTER SURVEILLANCE. [SCOTT LOCKWOOD, OSS, CLOSE CONTACT OF HELEN TENNEY, PLANS TO LEAVE THE COUNTRY ON SATURDAY. EFFORTS WILL BE MADE TO DETERMINE HIS ITINERARY.] (u)

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IS REQUESTED TO PLACE A MAIL COVER ON THE RESIDENCE OF FERRUCCIO MAR
THREE TWO EIGHT WEST THIRTY SEVENTH STREET, NEW YORK CITY. (u)
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N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS., ET AL, ESPIONAGE - R. BUREAU AUTHORITY
IS REQUESTED TO PLACE A MAIL COVER ON L-UNITA DEL POPOLO THIRTEEN AS
PLACE, NEW YORK, NEW YORK.

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N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ETAL, ESPIONAGE R.
AUTHORITY REQUESTED TO PLACE MAIL COVER ON
LABORATORY OPERATED BY A. BROTHMAN AND ASSOCIATES
AT EIGHTY FIVE - NAUGHT THREE, FIFTY SEVENTH AVE.,
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N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ETAL, ESPIONAGE R.
BUREAU AUTHORITY IS REQUESTED TO PLACE A MAIL
COVER ON COL. JOHN H. REYNOLDS, PRES. OF US SERVICE
AND SHIPPING CORP. AT HIS RESIDENCE EIGHT TWO FIVE
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RE H. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ETAL, ESPIONAGE W. AUTHORIZATIONS GRANTED
TO PLACE MAIL COVERS ON LABORATORY OF A. BROTHMAN, BIRMINGHAM NEW YORK, ON
L'UNITA DEL POPOLO, THIRTEEN ASTOR PLACE, NEW YORK CITY, ON FERDINANDO
MARINI, THREE TWO EIGHT WEST THIRTY SEVENTH STREET, NEW YORK CITY AND
COLONEL JOHN H. REYNOLDS, EIGHT TWO FIVE FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK CITY.

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Director, FBI

Nathan Gregory Silvermaster
Re: ~~ELIZABETH TERRILL BENTLEY~~, was, et al;
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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter to the New York Field Division bearing the above caption, dated November 20, 1945. Attached to the original of that letter was a copy of a letter entitled "NICOLAI GREGOROVICH REDIN; INTERNAL SECURITY-R", dated November 20, 1945, addressed by the Bureau to the SAC, Seattle. There was not received at New York the carbon copy of the BENTLEY letter, which should have been received. Apparently, the copy of the BENTLEY letter was sent to the Seattle Office, attached to the original of the letter in the REDIN case.

If this has occurred, the Seattle Office should forward immediately to the New York Office the copy of the letter dated November 20, 1945, in the case entitled ELIZABETH TERRILL BENTLEY, was, et al; ESPIONAGE-R". The copy of the letter entitled "NICOLAI GREGOROVICH REDIN; INTERNAL SECURITY-R", addressed to the Seattle Field Division, is attached herewith, to the copy of instant letter for the Seattle Field Office.

Very truly yours,

CC-Seattle

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John Edgar Hoover, Director - Federal Bureau of Investigation

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Reference is made to your telephone request of December 3, 1945.

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ATTENTION: MR. J. F. DUCKLEY

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Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : The Director

FROM : D. M. Ladd

DATE: December 7, 1945

SUBJECT: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al
ESPIONAGE - R

At 10:15 A.M., Friday, December 7, 1945, Assistant SAC T. J. Donegan phoned from New York and stated that Lauchlin Currie, who has been under physical surveillance in New York City, left LaGuardia Field at 10:00 A.M.; on the Northeastern Airlines for Moncton, Canada, where he will arrive at 3:40 P.M.

Donegan stated that the plane will stop at Boston at 11:15 and at Bangor, Maine, at 12:50; further, that he, Donegan, had instructed the Boston Office to have an Agent check the plane discreetly to be sure that Currie was aboard when it left Boston, although because of Currie's Canadian origin, there would appear to be no reason why he should not proceed to Moncton.

Donegan stated that they have no information as to his itinerary beyond Moncton or with regard to any reservations back to the states from Canada.

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TO : MR. LADD

FROM : J. C. STRICKLAND

SUBJECT: N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, etal
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This information was promptly relayed to ASAC T. J. Donegan in New York, who stated that the New York Office had determined Currie's arrival and that he was under surveillance.

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December 20, 1945

John Edgar Hoover, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation.

Nathan Gregory Silvermaster, et al - Espionage (R)

Pursuant to the request made by Mr. C. E. Hennrich of your office on Thursday, December 6, 1945, for a technical installation at Alexandria, Virginia, Messrs. Pfaffman, Matter, and Bentley of the FBI Laboratory worked with Special Agent Welch of your office. All assistance requested of the Laboratory was completed on December 10, 1945, and all details of the Laboratory's participation were communicated to Agent Welch.

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John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

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TO : SAC, New York

FROM : John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

SUBJECT: WAYMAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al
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Investigation conducted by the Washington Field Office determined that Temple OGBS was listed to Irving Kaplan, an employee of the War Production Board who resided at 2384 Martha Custis Drive, Park Fairfax, Alexandria, Virginia.

I wish to call to your attention that Isidore Gibly Needelman is the legal representative for the Amtorg Trading Corporation, 210 Madison Avenue, New York City. He was born in Russia in 1902 and was admitted to United States citizenship on September 23, 1935, in the Southern District of New York.

One Irving Kaplan, not necessarily identical with the Irving Kaplan mentioned above, a tax clerk residing at 1380 Morris Avenue, Bronx, New York, was Needelman's witness in the latter's naturalization proceedings.

A review of the Bureau file pertaining to Needelman disclosed that Needelman is probably an acquaintance of Sampson Milgram and probably lived with Milgram for a period of two years.

It is suggested the New York Field Office secure a photograph of Needelman and subsequently exhibit it to Confidential Informant Gregory in this case in an effort to determine whether Needelman is involved with Kaplan as a Russian espionage contact.

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MR. JOHN A. CIMPURMAN
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URGENT

RE ROBERT T. MILLER. MILLER IN 1934 WENT TO MOSCOW AS NEWSPAPER CORRESPONDENT.
CLAIMING EMPLOYMENT BY REUTERS NEWS AGENCY AND THE MANCHESTER GUARDIAN.
ENDEAVOR TO ASCERTAIN IF MILLER WAS EMPLOYED AT ANY TIME BY REUTERS AND
MANCHESTER GUARDIAN AND ADVISE EXPEDITIOUSLY.

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TO : SAC, New York
FROM : John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation
SUBJECT: RAYMOND GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al
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ATTENTION MR. D. M. LADD.
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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ETAL, ESPIONAGE R. RE APPOINTMENT
OF RAY ELSON AT OFFICE OF DR. WEINSTEIN, JOSEPH ELSON, ALTHOUGH
NOT OBSERVED ENTERING WEINSTEIN'S BUILDING AT TWENTY E.
FIFTYTHIRD ST., WAS OBSERVED IN CO. OF RAY ELSON DEPARTING FROM
THAT BUILDING ON THE EVENING OF JAN. TENTH. RAY ELSON MADE
A PHONE CALL. SHE AND JOSEPH ELSON PROCEEDED AWAY FROM THE BUILDING
AND THEY SUBSEQUENTLY MET TWO YOUNG WOMEN, WHOSE HOME ADDRESSES
HAVE BEEN ASCERTAINED AND WHOSE IDENTITIES ARE BEING DETERMINED.

[NO SUBSEQUENT CONTACTS OF SIGNIFICANCE WERE NOTED. NO SIGNIFICANT
CONTACTS WERE MADE BY RAY ELSON DURING JAN. ELEVENTH.

JOSEPH GREGG ARRIVED NYC ON THE EVENING OF JAN. TENTH SURVEILLED
BY WASH FIELD AGENTS AND WAS PLACED UNDER SURVEILLANCE. HE
REGISTERED AT MAYFAIR HOTEL, NYC A SECOND RATE HOTEL. TODAY HE
VISITED DR. WEINSTEIN AND IT IS NOT KNOWN IF HE PLANS TO REMAIN
IN NYC. WILLIAM REMINGTON ARRIVED NYC ON THE EVENING OF JAN. TENTH

DURING JAN. ELEVENTH AND SPENT A GOOD PART OF HIS TIME AT COLUMBIA
UNIVERSITY. THIS CONTACT AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY HAS NOT BEEN
IDENTIFIED. IN LATE AFTERNOON OF JAN. ELEVENTH REEMER PROCEEDED

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TO THE TIMES SQUARE AREA OF NYC AND MADE INQUIRIES RELATIVE TO
BUSSES FOR RIDGEFIELD, N. J. IN THE EVENT REMINGTON DEPARTS
FOR RIDGEFIELD, NJ THE NEWARK OFFICE WILL BE APPROPRIATELY ADVISED.
CONROY. *Jcu*

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cc: Mr. Whitman

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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ETAL, ESPIONAGE R. CHARLES KRAMER
MET WITH BARNEY LEROY, FRIEDA AND ALICE HUNTER, ALL PHONETIC, AND
PRESENTLY UNIDENTIFIED, ON THE NIGHT OF JANUARY TWENTY TWO, AT
ALFONSOS RESTAURANT TO DISCUSS A MEETING WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE
NIGHT OF JANUARY TWENTY FOUR AT THE HOME OF MRS. LASKER, PHONETIC, IN
NEW YORK CITY. A MR. BOAZ, POSSIBLY IDENTICAL WITH DR. FRANK BOAZ,
WILL SPEAK AT THIS MEETING, THE PURPOSE OF WHICH IS UNKNOWN. BOAZ
REPORTEDLY HAS CONTACTED KRAMER OR LEROY FOR ADVICE AS TO WHAT HE
SHOULD DO AND SAY AT THE NEW YORK MEETING. IT IS ALSO REPORTED THAT
NEITHER KRAMER NOR LEROY WERE INVITED TO ATTEND THE LASKER GATHERING.
SO THE MEETING OF LAST NIGHT WAS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CHOOSING AN
INTERMEDIARY TO ACT FOR THEM. ALICE HUNTER MAY BE IDENTICAL WITH A
PERSON BY THAT NAME WHO IS THE HEAD OF THE WASHINGTON OFFICE OF THE
INDEPENDENT CITIZENS COMMITTEE ON ARTS, SCIENCES AND PROFESSIONS WHICH
HAS ITS OFFICE AT ONE NAUGHT ONE EIGHT VERMONT AVENUE, N. W. THE ABOVE
IS FURNISHED FOR THE INFORMATION OF THE NEW YORK OFFICE IN THE EVENT
IT DESIRES TO COVER THE LASKER MEETING. FRIEDA MAY BE HUNTERS
ASSISTANT AT THE INDEPENDENT CITIZENS COMMITTEE. ONE OF THESE
IS THIRTY EIGHT TO FORTY THREE YEARS OF AGE, FIVE FEET FIVE
HUNDRED THIRTY POUNDS, STOCKY BUILD, JEWISH, DARK BROWN HAIR,

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AND DARK EYES. THE MAN CALLED LEROY DRIVES A BUICK SEDAN BEARING PENNSYLVANIA TAGS NUMBER EIGHT NINE DASH ONE SEVEN B. NEW YORK AND PHILADELPHIA ARE REQUESTED TO SUTEL REGISTRATION AND BACKGROUND DATA CONCERNING THE ^{OWNERS} ~~VEHICLES~~ OF THESE AUTOMOBILES.

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ATTENTION D. M. LADD AND ASAC T. J. DONEGAN. NATHAN GREGORY SILVER
MASTER, WAS, ET AL, ESPIONAGE R. JOSEPH GREGG LEFT WASHINGTON FOR
NEW YORK CITY SEVEN PM YESTERDAY VIA PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD COACH.
SURVEILLANCE MAINTAINED ON GREGG ENROUTE AND TURNED OVER TO NEW YORK
OFFICE ON ARRIVAL. WILLIAM REMINGTON LEFT WASHINGTON FIVE PM YESTERDAY
A PENNSYLVANIA RAILROAD RIDING COACH, AND SURVEILLANCE WAS

RESUMED ON HIM BE NEW YORK OFFICE ON HIS ARRIVAL THERE. THE CONFIDENTIAL
SOURCE INDICATED THAT SPENCER BARNES, AN ECONOMIST WITH THE STATE
DEPARTMENT, AND HIS WIFE WILL HAVE DINNER AT THE REMINGTON HOME
ON THE NIGHT OF JANUARY SIXTEENTH. BARNES IS REPORTED PLANNING TO LEAVE
THE UNITED STATES FOR MOSCOW AT AN EARLY DATE. WFO INDICES ON BARNES
NEGATIVE. THIS SAME SOURCE REVEALS THAT BERNARD REDMONT WILL ACCEPT
EMPLOYMENT WITH WORLD REPORT, A PUBLICATION BY DAVID LAWRENCE, BEGINN-
ING FEBRUARY FOUR. HE IS EXPECTED TO LEAVE FOR BUENOS AIRES,
ARGENTINA, EARLY IN MARCH ON THIS ASSIGNMENT. HIS STARTING SALARY IS
REPORTED AT SIXTYFIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS PER ANNUM PLUS LIVING ALLOWANCE
AT THE END OF FIRST SIX MONTHS, REDMONT'S SALARY WILL BE INCREASED TO
SEVEN THOUSAND DOLLARS PER ANNUM. IN ADDITION TO SALARY AND LIVING
ALLOWANCE, HE WILL RECEIVE FREE A TEN THOUSAND DOLLAR LIFE INSURANCE
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POLICY. THIS SOURCE REVEALS THAT REDMONT'S PARENTS HOME TELEPHONE
NUMBER IN NEW YORK CITY IS NAVARRE EIGHT DASH SEVEN EIGHT TWO SIX.
NEW YORK IS REQUESTED TO IDENTIFY REDMONT'S PARENTS THROUGH THIS
LISTING. [AND UNIDENTIFIED CONTACT OF GEORGE SILVERMAN ON JANUARY
SEVEN LAST HAS BEEN IDENTIFIED AS J. F. GOLD, SIX TWO THREE ACADEMY
STREET, NEWARK, DELAWARE. WFO INDICES NEGATIVE ON GOLD. BALTIMORE FIELD
DIVISION INDICES ALSO NEGATIVE. ✓

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cc: Mr. Valutson
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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. Ladd *DL*
 FROM : J. K. Mumford *JKM*
 SUBJECT: N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al.
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DATE: January 24, 1946

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 You will recall Mr. Donegan called on January 21, 1946 and requested Bureau authority to arrange to have

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 The Director approved this suggestion.

I called Mr. Donegan the evening of January 22, 1946, and advised him of the Director's approval.

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 that the Director's approval was still outstanding and that he might proceed but with all the admonitions I had given him *in mind*.

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Federal Bureau of Investigation
United States Department of Justice

100 Milk Street
Boston, Massachusetts
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Dear Sir:

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Interviewed ALBERT E. KAHN at his office, 245 West 25th Street, Suite 1K, New York City, New York. In the course of this interview the informant learned, among other things from Kahn, that he, GEORGE BELDES, MICHAEL G. SAYERS and FREDERICK REYLER had obtained documentary evidence proving that the REVEREND PATHER CHARLES E. COUGHLIN of Royal Oak, Michigan had been a paid German (Nazi) agent. Kahn alleged that this documentary evidence was conclusive and was in his possession.

It was asserted by Kahn that a national expose was being prepared which would make use of newspaper and radio facilities. The campaign will be initiated approximately the middle of next February in a radio broadcast on the same Sunday evening by WALTER WINCHELL, DREW PEARSON and KAHN. It is to be noted that the informant has ascertained in her own work that Kahn's contacts with Winchell and Pearson are excellent and that both men trust and respect him. Kahn will accept the legal and other responsibilities for this expose. He will further allege that the Federal Bureau of Investigation has been in possession of this information for approximately five years but has failed to act upon it. He anticipates that the Bureau will admit receipt of the information but insist that the documented evidence is forged.

The informant adopted a pose of amazement and queried Kahn as to the Bureau's alleged failure to act upon such important information in wartime. Kahn declared that the Bureau's refusal of failure to act upon this information could be attributed directly to Director JOHN EDGAR HOOVER. He asserted that Mr. Hoover is



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"anti-Semitic", "a ruthless killer", "grooming himself to be the strong one-man government of the United States". Kahn further alleged that the Bureau has failed to investigate Trotskyites in the United States, whom he asserted were well organized and in high places, as well as Fascists. The Bureau's failure to investigate these two groups was based upon its own Fascist nature. c u

Kahn asserted that if the moment is propitious (if current events or a news story will make the effort appear to be successful) the above allegations will be made against the Director by the aforementioned groups in conjunction with the release of the Coughlin story. The Bureau, aside from the Director, will be attacked as a Gestapo under the direction of an imitation Himmler. u

Kahn further asserted that the Bureau was wide open to attack because of its constant and continuing investigation of Communists, "who are few, poorly organized and harmless". Kahn declared to the informant that he had been the subject of a continuing Bureau investigation at New York City for approximately two years. c u

The interview with Kahn was conducted in the presence of

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[REDACTED] has been a Communist Party member for the past eight years.

Director, FBI

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[REDACTED] A report concerning Kahn and additional information concerning him at an earlier date has been dictated in Boston and will be transmitted in the near future. It is noted that when the informant interviewed [REDACTED] he was alone. C U

It is requested that any action taken by any of the field divisions receiving this information be so handled as to prevent an exposure of the identity of the informant, who is still in a position to obtain valuable information for the Boston Field Division and who will be readily suspected by Communist sources in these quarters because of [REDACTED] C U

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Promptly upon receipt of any additional information concerning the foregoing the Bureau will be advised.

Very truly yours,

Edward A. Soucy
Edward A. Soucy
Special Agent in Charge

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cc New York City - SPECIAL DELIVERY
cc Detroit - SPECIAL DELIVERY

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JANUARY 25, 1946

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<p>SYNOPSIS OF FACTS:</p> <p><i>Am Foley Brennan 1-6-54 1-6-54 was specially del. and</i></p> <p>Minnesota Auto License 3007 registered to MERRILL HUTCHINSON, 30 West 22nd Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota. No record located for ROBERT T. MILLER or MERRILL HUTCHINSON in St. Paul Field Office indices.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">- RUC -</p> <p>REFERENCE:</p> <p>Teletype from Washington Field dated January 18, 1946.</p> <p>DETAILS:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>AT ST. PAUL, MINNESOTA:</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>RE: ROBERT T. MILLER</u></p> <p>The records of the Auto Vehicle Registration Division of the Secretary of State's Office, reveals that 1946 Minnesota license number 3007 is registered to MERRILL HUTCHINSON, 30 West 22nd Street, Apartment 301, Minneapolis, Minnesota. This registration covers a 1942 Ford Super Deluxe four-door sedan, motor number 18-682136.</p> <p>The most recent Minneapolis city directory and the current telephone directory reveals that JOHN J. KIES resides at Apartment 301, 30 West 22nd Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota, which address is that of the Marie Antoinette Apartments. JOHN J. KIES is listed as a salesman.</p> <p>A check of the Drivers' License Division of the Minnesota Highway Department reveals a driver's license issued to MERRILL HUTCHINSON and reflects the following description:</p> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; margin-top: 10px;"> <div style="width: 40%;"> <p><i>m m h</i></p> <p>Born:</p> <p>Height:</p> </div> <div style="width: 60%;"> <p>April 5, 1887</p> <p>5 feet 10 inches</p> </div> </div>			
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Eyes:	Blue
Occupation:	Real Estate salesman
Address:	600 Interlachen Boulevard, Minneapolis, Minnesota

There is no record for a MERRILL HUTCHINSON.

A search of the St. Paul Field Office offices indices is negative with respect to ROBERT T. MILLER, MERRILL HUTCHINSON and JOHN J. KIES.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : DIRECTOR, FBI

DATE: January 17, 1946

FROM : SAC, SAN FRANCISCO

SUBJECT: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was., et al
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Reference is made to Bureau teletype dated December 21, 1945 and to San Francisco teletype to the Bureau, New York and Washington Field Divisions dated December 27, 1945 concerning BORIS N. VOLKOV and ANATOLE BORIS VOLKOV.

As set out in reference teletype from San Francisco BORIS N. VOLKOV is the father of ANATOLE BORIS VOLKOV, who is the stepson of subject SILVERMASTER. ANATOLE was born in San Francisco October 19, 1924, his parents being BORIS NICHOLAS VOLKOV and HELEN PETROVNA VOLKOV, who were married in Siberia, Russia May 5, 1919.

According to the records of Immigration and Naturalization Service in San Francisco, BORIS NICHOLAS VOLKOV filed declaration of intention to become a U. S. citizen, No. 54304, on August 23, 1923. He then resided at 191 Haight Street, San Francisco. He was born in Ekaterinslav, Russia on May 30, 1894 and came to the United States from Takshang, Japan aboard the SS President Jackson, arriving at the port of Seattle, Washington July 6, 1923 under the name of BORIS NICHOLAS WOLKOFF. His listed foreign residence was Kalgan, China. He was accompanied by his wife, HELEN WOLKOFF. She was born in Russia on April 25, 1899 and they were married in Siberia, Russia May 25, 1919. WOLKOFF filed petition for citizenship, No. 15772, on November 23, 1928, he then residing at 115 Noe Street, San Francisco, and listed his occupation as laborer. The record reflected that he had one child, ANATOLE, born October 29, 1924 in San Francisco. Witnesses on this petition were NADEJDA SHIPIRO, journalist, 737 Bus Street, San Francisco, and NICHOLAS T. MIROV, 4614 California Street, San Francisco. Certificate of citizenship No. 2936261 was granted VOLKOV on March 1, 1929. At this time he legally changed his name from BORIS NICHOLAS WOLKOFF to BORIS NICHOLAS VOLKOV. The naturalization records in San Francisco do not reflect his wife, HELEN PETROVNA VOLKOV, having ever filed naturalization papers in San Francisco.

The divorce court records in San Francisco, No. 209531, reveal that BORIS NICHOLAS VOLKOV obtained a final decree of divorce from HELEN PETROVNA VOLKOV on July 15, 1930 on the grounds of wilful desertion since June 6, 1928. Custody of their one child, ANATOLE, then four years of age, was awarded the mother, subject to a prior written agreement between the parties.

The Retailer's Credit Bureau has no record of BORIS N. VOLKOV. However, they did have a record of BESSIE TOWNLEY VOLKOV, his present wife. They resided at 695 Dolores Street. Her maiden name was BALDWIN. She is the widow of ROBERT PERRY TOWNLEY, who died in 1931. She has been a teacher in the San Francisco public schools for the past 20 years and is presently assigned to the Bryant School at a salary of approximately \$2750.00 per year. She has one son. Her

considered satisfactory. This record also reflected she carried a bank account

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at the Day and Night Branch, Bank of America. The records at this bank reflected a joint account in the name of BORIS N. VOLKOV and BESSIE B. ~~TOWNLEY~~. His occupation was listed as writer and hers as school teacher. The joint account was opened April 3, 1937 and has never been higher than \$500.00; the present balance being \$485.00.

The records of marriages in San Francisco from 1930 to date does not reflect the marriage of BORIS N. VOLKOV and BESSIE ~~TOWNLEY~~. Neither do these records from 1927 to date reflect the marriage of subject SILVERMASTER to HELEN PETROVNA VOLKOV, the former wife of BORIS N. VOLKOV, who were reportedly married in San Francisco in about 1929 or 1930.

The employment records of school teachers at the San Francisco Board of Education offices revealed no information concerning VOLKOV and did not reflect a marriage of BESSIE ~~TOWNLEY~~ to VOLKOV. She is presently assigned to the Bryant School in San Francisco.

A check of the Voter's Registry revealed that VOLKOV registered as a voter in 1932, giving his occupation as a writer and residing at 1090 Page Street, San Francisco. He registered again in September, 1936 as a Democratic voter, listing his occupation as writer and then residing at 51 Potomac Street, San Francisco. On September 28, 1938 he again registered as a Democratic voter, listing his occupation as writer and residing at 695 Dolores Street. The 1938 registry of voters also reflected the name of Mrs. BESSIE VOLKOV, notating that she was formerly Mrs. R. P. ~~TOWNLEY~~ and listed her occupation as school teacher. She was born in California and registered as a Republican Party voter.

The local Selective Service Board No. 94 in San Francisco has a record of BORIS N. VOLKOV, born May 30, 1894 and lists his occupation as writer. No other information was reflected on this record. This board which covers the address of 695 Dolores Street has no record of the son, ANATOLE VOLKOV, who was discharged from the U. S. Navy November 14, 1945.

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The personnel record of VOLKOV at the Bethlehem Steel Company reflected he worked there from May 28, 1942 to October 19, 1943 as a pipe fitter's helper. He listed membership in the Stevedores Association, Steamfitters and Helpers Union No. 590 and the Fraternal Order of Eagles, all San Francisco. He listed his dependents as BESSIE ~~TOWNLEY~~ VOLKOV, wife, and ROBERT ~~TOWNLEY~~, stepson. He listed his relatives as ANATOLE VOLKOV, son, 5515 30th Street, Washington, D. C. (section of city not indicated); ALEXANDER ~~VOLKOV~~, brother, 492 Randolph Street, Napa, California; and NADEJDA ~~KAMETZKE~~, sister, Shanghai, China. The previous places of employment were Stevedore Pacific Steamship

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Company from 1923 to 1926 and laborer and janitor for WALTER C. ZWING in the Flatiron Building from 1926 to 1929. The record also stated that he had written articles on international affairs and for "the local Russian newspaper" and that also he took small jobs refinishing floors for the Lang Real Estate Company. He stated in the application he attended Moscow, Russia University as a student of law from 1912 to 1918. He attended the Samuel Gompers Trades School in San Francisco in 1942. His social security number is [REDACTED] b2

Mr. C. E. STROBEL, Vice President of Amship Company, advised that VOLKOV worked there as an interpreter from October 22, 1943 to December 2, 1944 and that the War Labor Board gave clearance for VOLKOV to work there. Mr. STROBEL stated further that VOLKOV did an excellent job as an interpreter and his employment was terminated because they had no more work to do on Russian ships. VOLKOV was also given an expense account by this company for the purpose of taking the Russian officers on the ships being repaired by Amship Company on sight-seeing trips about the bay area and to lunches and dinners. Mr. STROBEL advised that VOLKOV was always very conservative in his expense account. He stated that VOLKOV was a very intelligent man and had told him that he, VOLKOV, was a writer by profession. Mr. STROBEL could give no information regarding the nationalistic tendencies of VOLKOV.

The California Driver's License Bureau advised that operator's license No. S686604 was issued November 9, 1943 to BORIS N. VOLKOV, 695 Dolores Street, San Francisco, and described him as born May 30, 1894, 5' 11" tall, weighing 174 pounds, brown eyes and brown hair. No record of conviction, suspension or revocation.

At the San Francisco Public Library a check of the international index to periodicals and the Reader's Guide from 1925 to date reflected under the name of BORIS N. VOLKOV only the following articles:

- Descendants of Genghis Kahn, published in the magazine Asia, issue of November, 1931, page 702.
- Motor Deal with the Living God in Urga, published in the magazine Asia, issue of April, 1931, page 232.
- Kiprenski and Tropinim, published in the magazine Connoisseur, issue of September, 1930, page 142.

In the March, 1931 issue of Asia magazine, page 137, is a picture of the sculptured portrait of BORIS N. VOLKOV by M. M. Von MAYER. Also in the March, 1931 issue of Asia magazine, page 137, is the following comment by the editors:

"Even editors, disciplined as they are in caution, feel it safe to say that probably no one in America except BORIS N. VOLKOV of San Francisco possesses both priceless memories and priceless photographs of the old Hutukhtu of Mongolia the now dead "living God" in Urga - his family and the high lamas associated with

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him. Mr. VOLKOV, a Siberian, who during World War had seen active service in the Russian Army in Poland, Persia and Mesopotamia and had several times been decorated for bravery, was sent to Mongolia in 1918 and 1919 by the Siberian Government on various secret missions. These missions were directed in the main against the so-called Pan-Mongolian movement supported by Japan and having as its purpose the creation of an immense Mongol state to include Transbaikalia, Mongolia and Tibet under a Japanese protectorate. A picture of the sculptured portrait of BORIS N. VOLKOV, journalist, who is now an American citizen, is here shown in a sculptured portrait by M. M. Von MAYER."

In the April, 1931 issue of Asia magazine, page 203, appears the following comment by the editors:

"BORIS VOLKOV is by profession a journalist and poet though a grad from the College of Jurisprudence at Moscow University in days not so long since, when it would never occurred to him that he might desert his native Siberia for California and become an American citizen. During World War Mr. VOLKOV saw active service in the Russian Army suppressing the Bolshevik movement. In July, 1921 VOLKOV, who was at that time in the Mongolian Government service, was condemned to death by Baron UNGERN-STERNBERG, the White General. He escaped with three others in the direction of Manchuria."

This article went on to state that VOLKOV'S articles were translated by CAMILLIA CHAPIN DANIELS, a graduate of the University of California, who has done a number of articles from Russian to English.

The only record in this office identifiable with VOLKOV is reflected in a letter from the Seattle Field Division to the Bureau dated May 14, 1942 which reads in part as follows:

"In a report submitted by ALLEN E. MAY, Civil Service Commission Investigator at Athaca, New York dated April 27, 1942, it was noted that in an interview with CHARLES MALAMUTH of 1112 Edge Cliff Place, Athaca, New York, that during the interrogation MALAMUTH related NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER had married a girl by the name of HELEN WITTE, the daughter of Baron WITTE. Her original marriage was to a man whose last name was stated only as VOLKOV who originally came to the United States as an advisor to the Manchurian Prince and allegedly sent here by the Russian Government. This statement goes on that VOLKOV finally became an OGPU Agent. Mr. MALAMUTH did not elaborate any further in this regard but stated that SILVERMASTER married HELEN WITTE after she divorced VOLKOV and allegedly married her in San Francisco around 1928 or 1929 and that Mrs. SILVERMASTER still has relatives in Russia at the present time."

This office has no other record regarding VOLKOV and no record of his son, ANATOLE, or his present wife, Mrs. BESSIE TOWNLEY VOLKOV.

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By means of an appropriate pretext it was ascertained that BORIS N. VOLKOV and his wife, BESSIE TOWNLEY VOLKOV, still resided at 695 Dolores Street and that he is at present unemployed and she is employed as a school teacher by the San Francisco Board of Education.

Two photographs of BORIS N. VOLKOV, which were taken in 1942 at the Bethlehem Steel Company, are being forwarded as an enclosure with this letter to the Bureau, New York and Washington Field Divisions.

Unless so requested by the Bureau or the office of origin, no further investigation of VOLKOV will be conducted by this office.

RJP:wap

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cc: New York (Encl.)

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American Embassy
London, England
December 18, 1945

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Whitson

ATTENTION: SIS EUROPEAN DESK

VIA US ARMY COURIER SERVICE

Director, FBI
Washington, D. C.

RE: N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, et al
France. ESPIONAGE (R)

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Attention: Mr. Lish Whitson

Dear Sir:

Reference is made to the Bureau's cable dated December 3, 1945.

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Information concerning Miller and Rhodes is contained in the attached memorandum. (S) & u

Very truly yours,

J. A. Cimperman

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John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

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TO : MR. D. M. LADD

DATE: January 10, 1946

FROM : M. E. GURNEA

SUBJECT: JOSEPH L. RAUH, JR.

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A review of the Bureau files reflects the following information in regard to Joseph L. Rauh, Jr.:

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Joseph L. Rauh, Jr., was born January 31, 1911, Cincinnati, Ohio, and is an American citizen. He received his preliminary and high school education at Cincinnati, Ohio, and thereafter attended Harvard University where he was graduated in June of 1932 with an S.B. degree in Economics. In 1935 he received an LL.B. magna cum laude from Harvard University. His father, a resident of Cincinnati, was born in Germany and became a naturalized American citizen prior to 1900.

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Rauh is another example of "perfect" "hoing from within".

Memorandum for Mr. Ladd

Rauh entered the Government service in September of 1935 as an attorney with the Securities and Exchange Commission in Washington, D. C., where he remained until August of 1936. From September of 1936 to September of 1938 he served as a law clerk to Benjamin Cardozo, then Associate Justice of the Supreme Court. Thereafter, until February of 1939, he was employed as Assistant General Counsel by the National Power Policy Commission of the Public Works Agency. He served as law clerk to Supreme Court Justice Felix Frankfurter for approximately one month and resigned to enter on duty as principal attorney in the Wage and Hour Division of the Department of Labor. In May of 1940, he was employed on the legal staff of the Federal Communications Commission as Assistant General Counsel where he remained until May of 1941. On the latter date he was appointed Assistant Counsel in the Division of Central Administrative Services, Office of the Liaison Officer, Office for Emergency Management. In February of 1943, he was recorded as being a First Lieutenant in the United States Army with an APO address out of San Francisco, California.

In February of 1942, Mr. E. R. Stettinius, Jr., then Assistant Harry Hopkins in the Lend Lease Administration, advised the Bureau that apparently a "leak" with regard to the Lend Lease setup which had been publicized in an article appearing in the newspaper "PM". The leak dealt with the publication of a confidential memorandum prepared for officials of the Lend Lease Administration relating to an arrangement whereby the Spanish Government could be furnished with machinery to be used in the development of copper mines, which arrangement had been suggested by the British Purchasing Commission. The exact wording of a paragraph of this memorandum appeared in an article signed by I. J. Stone, Washington correspondent of the newspaper "PM", on February 17, 1942. An investigation was initiated by the then Special Agent in Charge of the Washington Field Office, S. K. McKee. When Mr. McKee appeared in the office of Mr. Stettinius to initiate this inquiry, Mr. Stettinius stated that McKee's presence as a representative of the FBI had become known to employees in the building, and, by reason of his appearance, the guilty person had confessed his full participation in the disclosure of the confidential information to "PM." This individual was identified as Joseph L. Rauh, Jr., who admitted responsibility for the disclosure. Mr. Stettinius desired that the inquiry be dropped, and stated that the matter would be handled administratively by his office. He pointed out that Mr. Rauh had come to his organization highly recommended by Felix Frankfurter and others, and Mr. Stettinius wanted to do nothing which would jeopardize the career of Mr. Rauh.

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THAT HAROLD GLASSER PLANS TO LEAVE FROM DENVER, COLORADO, SOMETIME TOMORROW FOR REASONS NOT KNOWN. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED THAT ON JANUARY TWENTY BERNARD BERNSTEIN, BELEIVED TO BE COLONEL BERNARD BERNSTEIN KNOWN CONTACT OF HARRY WHITE, CONTACTED HAROLD GLASSER, AND BERNSTEIN SAID THAT HE HAS BEEN IN CONTACT WITH SACER DOTTI, PHONETIC, BELEIVED TO BE MR. CESARE SACERDOTI, PREVIOUSLY MENTIONED AS A CONTACT OF ~~REDACTED~~ SILVERMAN, THE HEAD OF AN ITALIAN TECHNICAL MISSION IN THE U. S. INFORMANT ADVISED THAT GLASSER RECOMMENDED BERNSTEIN TO SACER DOTTI AS A GENERAL ADVISER. BERNSTEIN WANTED TO KNOW WHO TO CONTACT. BERNSTEIN SAID QUOTE THEY ARE NOW ~~REDACTED~~ USING CORCORAN AND ~~REDACTED~~ THAT THEY HAVE RECENTLY HIRED JOE RAUH TO RUN AROUND AND GET THINGS THROUGH PLACES AND TO TELL THEM WHAT TO ASK AND WHO TO ASK, ETC. UNQUOTE. GLASSER SAID HE TOLD DOTTI THAT BERNSTEIN COULD WORK AS

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HIS ADVISER. BERNSTEIN TOLD GLASSER THAT HE WOULD TAKE ANYONE THAT GLASSER RECOMMENDS WHO CAN BE WITH HIM ON A FULL TIME BASIS. GLASSER RECOMMENDED ^{George} GEROGE SILVERMAN, BUT SILVERMAN IS TIED UP WITH THE FRENCH AND DID NOT WANT TO PUT IN FULL TIME ON THE JOB. BERNSTEIN AGREED THAT SILVERMAN WOULD BE A ~~PERSON~~ CAPABLE MAN. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED THAT HALPERIN WENT TO FREDERICK MARYLAND, OVER THE PAST WEEKEND IN ORDER TO VISIT FRIENDS, THE LAFFERTYS, AT HOOD COLLEGE THEN CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED THAT LIEUT. COL. DUNCAN C. LEE WILL BE OUT OF THE ARMY SOMETIME NEXT WEEK AND THAT HE WILL BE CONNECTED WITH CHINA DEFENSE LEAGUE IN WASHINGTON. PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE REVEALS THAT ~~GEORGE~~ PERAXICH, HIS WIFE AND TWO SONS ARRIVED IN WASHINGTON EVENING OF JANUARY EIGHTEEN ~~LAST~~ LAST, AND PRESENTLY RESIDE AT ALBAN TOWERS APARTMENTS. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED THAT ALLAN ROSENBERG PRESENTLY IN BOSTON TO VISIT HIS FATHER WHO IS ILL, AND EXPECTED RETURN TO WASHINGTON TOMORROW. *RU*

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John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

SUBJECT: HATTAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al
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Reference is made to your teletype dated January 21, 1946, making reference to Joe Rauh, who apparently had been engaged by Cesare Sacerdoti, head of an Italian Technical Mission, to assist in making arrangements with various Governmental agencies.

Information has been received from a highly confidential source during the

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Rauh, as you will recall, was the subject of the case entitled "Joe Rauh, Jr., Assistant Counsel, Office for Emergency Management, Division of Central Administrative Services, Office of the Liaison Officer, Internal Security, Emergency in which your office was origin."

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Cesare Sacerdoti, mentioned in your referenced teletype, was one of four individuals nominated on March 5, 1945, by the Italian Government as delegates to present to the Foreign Economic Administration, Washington, D. C., an industrial "four-man" plan which had been drafted jointly by the Italian Committee of Industrial Experts and the Allied Commission, Rome, Italy. The other individuals appointed at

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this time were Pasquale Saraceno, Pasquale Prezioso, and Enrico Molini. There was no derogatory information available concerning any of the individuals appointed as delegates mentioned above with the exception of Pasquale Saraceno, who was a member of the Partito Nazionale Fascista and who promoted intensified cultural and political relations with Germany up to the Italian capitulation. There are allegations that he even after September 8, 1943, the date of the Italian capitulation, collaborated with the Fascist Republican Government and participated in the transportation to Northern Italy of all movable assets of the Institute for Industrial Reconstruction, which transfer caused incalculable damage to the national economy of Italy.

You may find the above information of some value in the continued investigation of this case.

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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ET AL. ESPIONAGE R. NELSON FRANK, REPORTER FOR WORLD TELEGRAM TELEPHONICALLY ADVISED THIS OFFICE TODAY THAT THE ARTICLE CONCERNING WORLD TOURISTS AND US SERVICE AND SHIPPING WOULD NOT APPEAR IN TODAY-S TELEGRAM BUT WOULD APPEAR TOMORROW IF IT IS TO COMPRISE ONLY ONE STORY AND MONDAY AND TUESDAY OF NEXT WEEK IF IT TO APPEAR IN TWO PARTS. FRANK SAID HE INTERVIEWED CONFIDENTIAL INFORMANT GREGORY AND THAT SHE APPEARED FORTHRIGHT EXCEPT THAT SHE REFUSED TO PERMIT EXAMINATION OF HER FINANCIAL RECORDS. FRANK FURNISHED SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME INFORMATION CONCERNING HIS INTERVIEW WITH GREGORY AS WAS SET OUT IN OUR TELETYPE YESTERDAY. INFORMANT GREGORY MET EARL BROWDER LAST NIGHT, TALKED TO HIM FOR ABOUT TEN MINUTES, AND EXPLAINED THE POSSIBLE PUBLICITY CONCERNING WORLD TOURISTS AND US SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORP. TO APPEAR IN NY WORLD TELEGRAM. BROWDER DID NOT APPEAR AT ALL CONCERNED AND TOLD GREGORY THAT SHE WAS "RECEIVING HER FIRST PUBLIC BAPTISM OF FIRE". BROWDER DID NOT INDICATE THAT HE COULD POSSIBLY BE INVOLVED IN ANY EXPOSE OF THESE CORPORATIONS AND FROM THE INFORMATION PRESENTLY AVAILABLE THERE IS NOTHING TO INDICATE THAT NELSON FRANK HAS UNCOVERED DATA SHOWING THAT BROWDER HAS ANY CONNECTION WHATSOEVER WITH EITHER WORLD TOURISTS, US SERVICE AND SHIPPING, OR THE INFORMANT.

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SOURCE ADVISED ON THE EVENING OF JANUARY TWENTYTHIRD GEORGE PERAZICH AND WIFE VISITED THE RESIDENCE OF EDWARD JOSEPH FITZGERLAD. SAME SOURCE ADVISED THAT IRVING KAPLAN AND WIFE WILL BE GUESTS OF MR AND MRS. PERAZICH TONIGHT AT PERAZICH APARTMENT FOR DINNER.

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CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED THAT MAURICE HALPERIN WAS TO LEAVE WASHINGTON ON WEDNESDAY, JANUARY TWENTYTHIRD AT FIFTY THIRTY PM FOR NEW YORK CITY, AND WOULD STAY AT THE EMBASSY HOTEL. HALPERIN PLANS TO RETURN TO WASHINGTON ON JANUARY TWENTYFIVE. SAME SOURCE ADVISED THAT HALPERIN HAD TEN THIRTY AM APPOINTMENT ON JAN. TWENTYFOUR WITH COLONEL DONOVAN IN NEW YORK CITY. HALPERIN STATED THAT HE HAD A QUOTE HEAVY SCHEDULE UNQUOTE FOR BOTH JANUARY TWENTYFOUR AND TWENTYFIVE WHILE IN NEW YORK CITY. NEW YORK OFFICE HAS BEEN REQUESTED TO PLACE HALPERIN UNDER SURVEILLANCE.

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CLEVELAND OHIO, AT EIGHT PM TODAY. (X)

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RE: IRVING FRANK SHERMAN, was.
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Dear Sir:

It is deemed advisable to inform the Bureau of the following facts but before setting them out it is thought necessary to call to the attention of the Bureau that the information set out herein after was obtained from a technical surveillance being conducted by the Washington Field Office in the case of NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, ET AL, Washington Field Office file 100-17493. As the Bureau is cognizant, this is one of the most important investigations being conducted at this time by the Washington Field Office and accordingly this information should not be separated from the Bureau. (u)

On January 21, 1946, at 7:00 p.m. FRANK CONNOLLY telephonically attempted to contact A. GEORGE SILVERMAN. This call was not completed inasmuch as SILVERMAN was not at his residence. For the Bureau's information SILVERMAN is a known Communist and has been named by Confidential Informant GREGORY as one of her contacts. (u)

At 7:20 p.m. on the same date CHRIS WAGNER, whose name has been previously mentioned in this case, telephonically contacted SILVERMAN and told him that he, CHRIS, had told FRANK to call SILVERMAN at 8:00 that night. CHRIS continuing stated that he had nothing to say to FRANK that he does not want to say to SILVERMAN. SILVERMAN asked what FRANK and CHRIS answered, "FRANK CONNOLLY". CHRIS asked if he, SILVERMAN, really was not in when FRANK called and SILVERMAN answered he was not and that he would not think of not seeing FRANK. SILVERMAN stated he would see CHRIS tonight and CHRIS asked him, SILVERMAN, to try and get there before 8:00 p.m. so he, CHRIS, will know what to do about FRANK when he calls. SILVERMAN stated he could not do that as he was coming over with JOE GOLD and he does not know when JOE is coming. CHRIS then said, "7:15" (indicating that CHRIS knew when JOE would contact SILVERMAN) then said, "Let's keep that FRANK thing" - CHRIS then interrupted and said, "Keep him off, huh?" SILVERMAN then said, "No, no CHRIS

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I have no feeling about keeping FRANK off." CHRIS then said, "Well, tell him to come on up." SILVERMAN then said, "No, on this one - he ought not to come on this." CHRIS then said, "O. K., we'll tell him we'll see him tomorrow." (u)

It is thought that the above mentioned information would be of interest to the Bureau. Further that A. GEORGE SILVERMAN is presently with the French Government and has indicated he expects to get into the Surplus Property field in the near future. It is known that he has interested himself in purchasing knives at ten dollars a dozen and expects to sell them in South America and to realize a profit of approximately seventy thousand dollars. (u)

When individuals in the SHERMAN case are mentioned in the SILVERMASTER case this information will be forwarded to the Bureau forthwith.

Very truly yours,

GUY HOTTEL, SAC

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Director, FBI

Re: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al;
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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter dated January 9, 1946 to the Washington Field Office concerning an interview with CHARLES MALAMUTH, 1112 Edgecliff Place, Ithaca, New York. A carbon copy of the reference letter was furnished to the New York Office, together with a copy of a letter from the Seattle Office to the Bureau dated May 14, 1942. Reference letter points out that the New York Office should consider the advisability of re-interviewing MALAMUTH at this time.

For the information of the Albany Field Division, the following is being set out: In May 1942 the Civil Service Commission, at Seattle, Washington, confidentially exhibited a file to the Seattle FBI office. This file was identified as the N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER file and its contents related to an applicant investigation of SILVERMASTER, who had applied for a position as head economist for the Board of Economic Warfare. The Seattle Civil Service Commission file reflected a report submitted by a CSC investigator at Ithaca, New York, dated April 27, 1942. This report set out the results of an interview with one CHARLES MALAMUTH of 1112 Edgecliff Place, Ithaca, New York.

MALAMUTH furnished the CSC investigator with considerable information concerning SILVERMASTER indicating that MALAMUTH has a rather close insight into SILVERMASTER's affairs. MALAMUTH stated, for example, that SILVERMASTER had married one HELEN WITTE who had formerly been married to one VOLKOV. MALAMUTH allegedly stated that VOLKOV was sent to the United States by the Russian Government and that VOLKOV finally became an OGPU agent. MALAMUTH reportedly also stated that Mrs. SILVERMASTER still has relatives in Russia at the present time. In addition, MALAMUTH is said to have stated that one Professor L. A. KANN, of the University of California, awarded SILVERMASTER a Ph.D. degree at that University because of the fact that SILVERMASTER was a member of the COMMUNIST PARTY.

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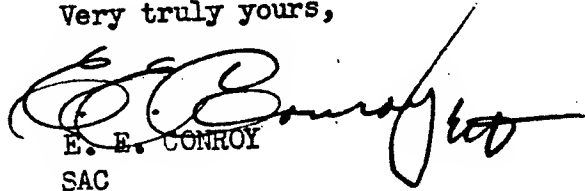
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It would appear from this information that MALAMUTH may have known either Mr. or Mrs. SILVERMASTER well at one time and that he might be able to furnish additional information concerning their activities. However, it appears obvious that inasmuch as some current relationship may exist between SILVERMASTER and MALAMUTH the latter should not be interviewed until he is fully identified and his integrity determined, in order to preclude the possibility of his making known to SILVERMASTER this Bureau's interest in SILVERMASTER's activities.

It is suggested, therefore, that the Albany Office, which is being furnished a copy of instant letter, conduct an investigation to determine the identity and nationalistic tendencies of MALAMUTH, furnishing same to the Bureau Washington Field and New York Offices before any decision is reached in this matter. For the further information of the Albany Field Division, NATHAN GREGOR SILVERMASTER is one of the principal subjects in a Russian espionage case, the ramifications of which require that the investigation be conducted on a most discreet and circumspect basis.

Very truly yours,


E. E. CONROY
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cc: Washington Field
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Re: NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al
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Dear Sir:

Reference is made to Bureau letter to New York dated January 15, 1946 enclosing copies of documents concerning MICHAEL N. BELMAN, now known as MICHAEL ENDELMAN.

The carbon copies of reference letter for the Washington Field Division, in addition to the enclosures for that office, were inadvertently forwarded to New York. They are being transmitted to the Washington Field Office with a copy of this letter.

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Very truly yours,

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FROM : Mr. Ladd

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This memorandum is being prepared for the purpose of setting up a brief summary of information regarding the individuals indicated by Elizabeth Bentley to be involved in Soviet espionage activities in Washington, D. C. U

① THE SILVERMASTER APPARATUS

NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER

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Bentley stated that Silvermaster was a Ph.D. from California who came to Washington in 1935 with the Department of Agriculture. He believed that Russia is his second country. Silvermaster, according to Bentley, never produced any important information himself. Data were obtained, however, by the persons under his direction and photographed in the basement of his home. Bentley stated that he attempted to go into the Board of Economic Warfare, at which time one of his friends obtained for him a copy of a G2 report which said they had in their files information from the FBI, ONI, et cetera, which tended to prove Gregory Silvermaster was not a loyal citizen. Silvermaster finally resigned and later went into the Treasury Department. U

The Bureau files show that Silvermaster was the subject of a Hatch Act investigation between January, 1942, and November, 1942, which indicated his membership in the American League for Peace and Democracy and the Washington Committee for Democratic Action. Various informants actually placed him in the Communist Party. In July, 1943, additional interviews were requested by the Inter-Departmental Committee on Employee Investigations which were conducted and reports submitted in September, 1943. In June, 1944, the Director of Personnel of the Department of Agriculture advised that the record in the Silvermaster investigation did not contain evidence sufficient to warrant charges that Silvermaster was a member of an organization which advocated the overthrow of the Government of the United States. U

Silvermaster was born in Odessa, Russia, November 27, 1898. He came to the attention of the Bureau in connection with the investigation of Harry Bridges as a reported member of the Communist Party and an associate of Bridges. He later came to the Bureau's attention in connection with the investigation of the Comintern Apparatus since he was a known contact of Louise Bransten, mistress of Gregori Zheifets, Soviet Vice Consul in San Francisco and reported head of the NKVD for the West Coast. U

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HELEN SILVERMASTER

Bentley stated that Helen Silvermaster was the individual who actually did photography in connection with the Government documents which were brought to Silvermaster's home. She was characterized as being fanatically Russian but very well liked in Washington, spending most of her time doing work for the Red Cross and other organizations. U

Her son, Silvermaster's stepson, Anatole Boris Volkov, a reported member of the Communist Party, and subscriber to the Daily Worker, attended the University of North Carolina until his induction into the Navy in May of 1944. In Volkov's university records he showed his mother as being a graduate of the University of Moscow. Mrs. Silvermaster has been associated with the Washington Committee for Aid to China, the Washington Bookshop Association, the Washington Committee for Democratic Action and the Washington League of Women Shoppers. U

WILLIAM LUDWIG ULLMAN

Bentley stated that Ullman has a sister in New York who married a Communist organizer. He came from a well-to-do family in St. Louis, Missouri. According to Bentley, he came to Washington and obtained a minor job in the Treasury. He became a protege of the Silvermasters and became essentially one of their household. He is an expert photographer and built the photographic apparatus in the basement of the Silvermasters' residence. At the outset he took mostly political data out of the Treasury Department. After he got into the Air Corps Office in the Pentagon Building, he used to photograph WPB progress reports, FBI reports, Monthly Subversive Summaries, Naval Intelligence reports, London Ministry of Information monthly reports, Army Intelligence matters, various matters that the Air Corps Intelligence obtained from G2, and General Marshall's Secret Directives. U

Ullman used to obtain information from two or three Generals, which he would then type out and photograph his typed notes. According to Bentley, he used to go home at night with a bulging brief case. The Silvermasters would photograph all night and Ullman would take the brief case and its contents back to the Pentagon Building in the morning. U

The Bureau files reflect that Ullman was one of the individuals who had been informed by William H. Taylor, Assistant Director of Monetary Research, United States Treasury Department, regarding a clandestine receiving set in the Stanley Internment Camp on the Stanley Peninsula, Victoria Island, Hongkong, which was able to receive broadcasts from Radio Station KGEI at San Francisco. It is also noted that Ullman, while an employee of the Treasury Department, was interviewed during the Hatch Act investigation of Harold Glasser, Assistant Director, Division of Monetary U

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Research, Treasury Department. At this time Ullman stated that he could not recall Glasser ever having mentioned any interest in political activities and that he had no reason to doubt Glasser's complete loyalty and Glasser's satisfaction with the democratic processes of Government. U

A. GEORGE SILVERMAN

Gentley stated that Silverman was at one time with the Railroad Retirement Board, but was now a civilian employee in the Army Air Forces at the Pentagon Building. Silverman reportedly joined the Party on the West Coast. Browder reportedly told him never to be active in the Party. According to Bentley, Silverman was one of the best individuals for obtaining information and passing it on through Silvermaster. U

The Bureau files reflect that Silverman is employed in the Army Air Forces and that he is a contact of the Communists at the CIO Maritime Committee Offices, that he is apparently a contact of David Harr, the Assistant to Drew Pearson, and that he has been previously reported to the Bureau as a member of the Communist underground in the Government. U

HARRY DEXTER WHITE

According to Bentley, originally all the information the Silvermaster Apparatus had came from the Treasury Department, primarily political information and data regarding British and Americans making anti-Soviet remarks. White was a friend of George Silverman. According to Bentley, for a few years before 1941 Harry White was giving information for the Russians to a brother-in-law of Silverman, who used to come down and pick it up. The Russians would then in turn give White presents, which included a Persian rug. There was a break in the contact, however, during this early period and the contact was not taken up again until White entered into the activity through Silvermaster's Apparatus. U

The Bureau files reflect that White was the chief author of the measures under discussion at the Bretton Woods Conference in New Hampshire in July, 1944; further, that White, Assistant to the Secretary of the Treasury, was the subject of a Hatch Act investigation in 1942 during which time White denied membership in the Communist Party or in the Washington Committee for Democratic Action and spent the greater part of his interview denouncing the type of investigation being conducted and its origin in the reports of the Dies Committee. U

The divorced wife of Victor Perlo (who is identified by Bentley as being in Soviet espionage activity) advised the Bureau that Harry Dexter White was a member of the underground Communist group in Washington. White

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has been invited to be a speaker at the Rally of the ~~National Council of American-Soviet Friendship~~ to be held November 14, 1945, in Madison Square Garden, New York City. During the course of the investigation of ~~Philip Jacob Jaffe~~, with aliases; Et Al, it was determined that both ~~Jaffe and Andrew Roth~~ were well acquainted with White's activities. Roth advised Jaffe that David Karr went up to White's office once a week to spend about three-quarters of an hour with him obtaining information. U

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LAUCHLIN CURRIE

Bentley indicated that Lauchlin Currie was a part of the Silvermaster "outfit" and was a personal friend of the members thereof. It was her opinion that Currie's association with them was not innocent inasmuch as he had informed A. George Silverman in April, 1943 that the American Government had broken the Soviet code. The group, according to Bentley, was never sure of him, but he was a close associate of the individuals therein. U

The Bureau files reflect that Currie was with the Treasury Department from 1934, becoming Assistant Director of Research and Statistics for the Board of Governors of the Federal Research System. He became an Administrative Assistant to the President in July of 1939 and retained that position until subsequent to the death of Roosevelt in 1945. Currie is a close friend of Gregory Silvermaster and stated that he did not regard Silvermaster as Communist. Currie was a sponsor for the visa application of Paul Hagen, reported on numerous occasions to be a secret agent of the Soviet Government, who has since his entry into the United States contacted numerous known Communists. U

Whittaker Chambers stated that Lauchlin was a fellow traveler who helped various Communists, but never "went the whole way." Lauchlin Currie was approached by Edward G. Carter, President of Russian War Relief in 1944, reportedly in an effort to combat unfavorable activity against the campaign of Russian War Relief by the President's War Relief Control Board. Currie interviewed Oskar R. Lange shortly after the latter's return to the United States from the Soviet Union in 1944. Currie is Honorary Vice Chairman of Indusco, Inc., the American Committee to Aid Chinese Industrial Cooperatives, which organization is used for their own purposes by Communists in the United States and China. Currie is a known contact of various associates of Philip Jacob Jaffe. U

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SONIA AND BILL GOLD

According to Bentley, Sonia Gold is a Secretary or Assistant Secretary to Harry Dexter White in the Treasury Department. She did a great deal of typing for the members of Silvermaster's Apparatus. Bill Gold, her husband, was described by Bentley as an economist working for the Foreign

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Economic Administration. The Silvermaster Apparatus was considering moving him into the Treasury in some responsible job. U

There is insufficient information at the present time to definitely identify these individuals in the Bureau's files. U

CHARLES KRAMER'S APPARATUS

Bentley characterized the group headed by Charles Kramer as an "Ex-Communist Unit" which used to give information to Earl Browder. Browder handled information from the Kramer Apparatus and furnished it to the Soviet representatives. The Kramer Apparatus and the Silvermaster Apparatus were hostile to each other. U

CHARLES KRAMER

Bentley stated that Charles Kramer was on the Kilgore Committee. Kramer was originally reported to the Bureau as a member of the Communist underground cooperating with the NKVD, by Whittaker Chambers who has furnished highly accurate and reliable information regarding individuals engaged in Soviet espionage activity. When Chambers knew Kramer, the latter was working as an investigator for the LaFollette Civil Liberties Committee. U

Charles Kramer and his wife, Mildred Kramer, are both intimately acquainted with Alexander Stevens, with aliases, former head of Communist underground activities in New York City. Stevens' common-law wife, Anne Silver, is the "godmother" of Mildred Kramer's baby. Roy Hudson, National figure of the Communist Party, is known to have frequented the home of the Kramers. In 1941 Kramer was employed by the National Labor Relations Board. In 1942 he went with the Office of Price Administration and more recently has been attached to Senator Kilgore's Committee on War Mobilization. U

Kramer has come to the Bureau's attention in connection with the investigation of the Comintern Apparatus. U

VICTOR PERLO

Bentley stated that Perlo originally worked for the War Production Board and then moved to the Foreign Economic Administration, and that he was definitely a member of Kramer's Apparatus. The Bureau files reflect that Victor Perlo had been reportedly connected with Communist activity in the District of Columbia as early as 1935. He was a member of the Capital City Forum and the American Peace Mobilization. U

In 1944 a complaint was received from the divorced wife of Perlo alleging that he was a member of the Communist Party. Whittaker Chambers advised that one Perlow was a member of the Communist underground within the Government. U

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EDWARD FITZGERALD

Bentley included this individual in the Kramer Apparatus, but no further information was furnished by her other than the fact that he had worked for the War Production Board and for the Foreign Economic Administration. This person may possibly be identical with the E. J. Fitzgerald who was Secretary to the Secretary of the Treasury in early 1943, and a contact of the Communists at the CIO Maritime Committee Office. U

DONALD WHEELER

Bentley identified Donald Wheeler as working on the Editorial Board of the Office of Strategic Services. U

The Bureau files reflect that David Niven Wheeler was the subject of a Hatch Act investigation in 1942. He was employed by the Treasury Department from 1939 to 1940; from 1940 to October, 1941, he was a Clerk with the U. S. Senate Banking and Currency Committee. His immediate superior in the Treasury Department was Harry Dexter White. In September, 1942, he was employed in the Office of Strategic Services, and William J. Donovan of OSS advised the Bureau that no action was being taken with regard to the Hatch Act reports submitted. U

Wheeler was in 1942 President of Treasury Local No. 11 of the United Federal Workers of America, CIO. He was reported to have been a member of the American League for Peace and Democracy and of the Washington Bookshop Association. He was also reported to be a member of the Washington Committee for Aid to China. His sister, Margaret Jean Wheeler, was identified in 1944 as a member of Branch 325 of the Communist Party in Seattle, Washington. She specialized in making contacts with Seamen for the Party. U

MARKOFF

Bentley believes the name of another member of this apparatus was Markoff. She described him only as a lame man, heavy set. On the basis of this description it has not been possible to date to identify Markoff. U

MISCELLANEOUS ESPIONAGE AGENTS IN THE UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

ROBERT MILLER

Bentley stated that Golos picked up various people one by one during 1941, one of whom was Robert Miller, the head of "Hemisphere." Bentley stated Miller had an offer of a job with Rockefeller, so Golos persuaded him to furnish information on anti-Soviet activities which he got from Latin America. Miller used to come to New York once in a while and contact Golos directly. U

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The Bureau files reflect that Robert Miller is identical with Robert Talbot Miller, the III, now residing in Washington, D. C. and employed by the United States Department of State. He was formerly the editor of a weekly bulletin known as "Hemisphere." Miller's known contacts in Washington include Herman Habicht, suspected agent of the NKVD and a known contact of Vassili M. Zaslavin, head of NKVD activity in the United States between 1942 and the summer of 1944. Miller is also a contact of Maurice Halperin, who was named by the Bentley woman as a Soviet espionage agent. U

Miller is also a contact of Edward Tolkowski, agent for Polpress, the Soviet-controlled Polish news service in the United States. Miller's wife, whom he married in Moscow, is a friend and correspondent of the wife of Arthur Adams, Soviet military espionage agent in New York City. U

HELEN TENNEY

According to Bentley, Golos met Tenney in 1942 when she was working for a company used as a cover for the Office of Strategic Services in hiring foreign agents to be sent abroad. Golos was interested in finding out whether these agents were anti-Soviet or pro-Soviet. At Golos' instructions Tenney went to Washington in the Fall of 1943 in the Confidential Branch of the Spanish Division of OSS. She took over the apartment of Mary Price, another contact of Golos. U

The Bureau files indicate that the name Helen Tenney appeared on a memo sheet of "Short Wave Research," 730 Fifth Avenue, New York, found in the possession of one Anatole Aléd De Montmorency, a French author returning to the United States from the Orient on the Gripsholm. De Montmorency advised the censorship authorities that he was a free lance newspaperman. He had apparently sailed as a crew member of the Gripsholm and was reportedly connected with an attempted evasion of Foreign Funds Control because of attempts to communicate with persons in enemy-occupied territory. It is possible that the Helen Tenney mentioned above may be identical with the Bentley woman's acquaintance. U

MAURICE HALPERIN

According to Bentley, Maurice Halperin, whose cover name was "Mac," came from the University of Oklahoma and had a job with the Latin-American Division of OSS. The Bureau files reflect that Maurice Halperin was a professor at the University of Oklahoma from 1929 to 1941. Since October, 1941, he has been employed by the Office of the Coordinator of Information and the Office of Strategic Services. In January, 1945, he was head of the Latin-American Division in the Research and Analysis Section of OSS. U

Halperin was the subject of a Hatch Act investigation by this Bureau, at which time he was determined to be an associate of various Communists and was discharged by the University of Oklahoma in September, 1941 because of his

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radical tendencies. In 1940, Halperin cashed a check drawn on the Bank of Foreign Trade, USSR, in the sum of \$436.01. Halperin stated that he had invested some money in a Russian bank which paid 7%.

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It is noted that Halperin is sometimes referred to as Halpern. It is not definitely known that the individual who cashed the last two checks is identical with the subject. U

The Bureau files further reflect that Halperin is a contact of Jose Antonio Arze, head of the Bolivian Party of the Revolutionary Left, who has been in touch with national leaders of the Communist Party and suspected Soviet espionage agents during his visit to the United States in 1944 and 1945. Halperin is also an acquaintance of Robert Talbot Miller, III, mentioned heretofore as a Soviet espionage agent. U

JULIUS J. JOSEPH

Bentley stated that Joseph worked for the Social Security Board, was later inducted into the Army and subsequently put in the Confidential Branch of the Japanese Division of the Office of Strategic Services. U

The Bureau files reflect that Julius Joseph Joseph, a native-born citizen of Russian parents, was employed by the Social Security Board from 1941 to 1943, under Dr. William Haber. Joseph was inducted into the Army in the latter part of 1943 and transferred to the Office of Strategic Services. His wife, Bella Miriam Joseph, was also working in the Office of Strategic Services. Haber, mentioned above, was Roumanian-born and considered "very radical." In 1942, one J. Joseph, believed to be identical with Julius Joseph Joseph, was a speaker at a forum sponsored by "Science and Society," a periodical dominated by the Communist Party. U

DUNCAN LEE

Bentley stated that Duncan Lee, who had worked in William J. Donovan's law office was a friend of Mary Price and that when he was transferred to the Office of Strategic Services, Mary Price moved him over under the control of Golos. Lee became a Major in the Japanese Division. It is possible that Lee is no longer connected with Soviet espionage, although this is not definite from Bentley's statement. U

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The Bureau files reflect that Duncan C. Lee associated with the firm of Donovan, Leisure, Newton and Lumbard, and was a member of the Board of Directors of Russian War Relief, Inc., in October, 1941. He graduated from Yale Law School in 1939. He was also a member of the Executive Committee of the China Aid Council in 1942, at which time Mildred Price, sister of Mary Price was Executive Secretary of the China Aid Council. U

MARY PRICE

Bentley stated that Mary Price was known to her to be working for Golos in April, 1941, and was then Walter Lippmann's Secretary. Mary Price was in Washington subsequently and Bentley used to go to Washington once a month to see her and obtain material from her. Price would come to New York once a month and deliver material personally to Golos. In the fall of 1943, Bentley indicated that Mary Price left Washington and returned to New York, her apartment in Washington being occupied by Helen Tenney. The Price woman apparently was the person handling Major Duncan Lee of OSS. U

The Bureau files reflect that Mary Price is native-born and was at one time Secretary to Walter Lippmann. She has traveled in Russia and in 1942 was under consideration by the U. S. Army Signal Corps for classified administrative work at the Arlington Hall Station, Arlington, Virginia. The files are negative as to her actual employment by the Signal Corps. She is the sister of Mildred Price, a Communist who formerly taught at Commonwealth College, Mans. Arkansas, who is the Executive Secretary of the China Aid Council.

The above address was Mary Price's residence when she was in Washington. The New York Office advises that Price is presently Publicity Manager of the United Office and Professional Workers of America, CIO in New York City. U

MICHAEL GREENBERG

Bentley states that Michael Greenberg was another of the contacts in Washington, D. C., "a Britisher who never did very much." She did not know too much about him. Greenberg worked in the FEA and also worked with Lauchlin Currie. U

The Bureau files reflect that Greenberg was born in England of Russian parents, came to the United States in 1939, attended Harvard University and later became associated with the Institute of Pacific Relations, editing U

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their publication, "Pacific Affairs." He later came to Washington with the Foreign Economic Administration and became a naturalized citizen of the United States. He is a known contact of Lauchlin Currie and of the various individuals connected with the Institute of Pacific Relations known to have Communist sympathies and backgrounds. He is also a friend of the group which was under investigation in the case of "Philip Jacob Jaffe, with aliases; Et Al." Greenberg's sister is a Communist Party organizer in Great Britain. U

ACTION:

Instructions have been issued to the New York and Washington Field Offices to determine the locations of the various individuals mentioned herein and to survey the possibility of technical or microphone surveillances with regard to them. U

* It is respectfully suggested that when their present residences and places of employment are verified that authorization be granted for a discreet physical surveillance of these individuals in order to determine their regular daily routine and their significant contacts. It is also respectfully suggested that you grant authorization for a technical surveillance or microphone surveillance in those instances where a survey by the Field Offices reflects that such can be accomplished with security. D(&)(u)

Detailed reviews of the Bureau's files are proceeding with regard to each of these individuals indicated by the Bentley woman to have any connection with the United States Government. Likewise, detailed file reviews are in progress with regard to all individuals mentioned by the informant. The data appearing in the Bureau's files will be furnished to the Washington and New York Field Offices where such data are not already in their possession. U

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

In connection with this Bureau's investigation of Soviet espionage activities, it has been reported that Joseph Gregg, 6829 Piney Branch Road, N.W., Washington, D.C., phone Randolph 5070, is a member of an espionage ring working with the Soviet Secret Intelligence (EKVD).

I recommend authorization of a technical surveillance on Gregg for the purpose of determining the extent of his activities on behalf of the Soviets and for the additional purpose of identifying espionage agents.

Respectfully,

J. Edgar Hoover
John Edgar Hoover
Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE ATTORNEY GENERAL

In connection with this Bureau's investigation of Soviet espionage it has been reliably reported that Charles Kramer, 4621 South Thirty-fourth Street, Arlington, Virginia, telephone TRaple 3198, is an espionage agent.

I recommend authorization of a technical surveillance on the residence of Kramer for the purpose of determining the extent of his espionage activities and for the additional purpose of identifying espionage agents.

Respectfully,

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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There are transmitted herewith to the Bureau three copies of Pages 5B to 6B of the statement presently being taken from Informant ELIZABETH TERRELL BENTLEY. These pages should be added to those previously delivered to the Bureau Asst. SAC T. J. DONEGAN.

There are transmitted with a copy of this letter to the Washington Field Office two copies of the pages above described, which should be attached to the material previously furnished to the Washington Field Office.

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In connection with this Bureau's investigation of Soviet espionage activities, it has been reported that Harold Glasser, 5410 Cathedral Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C., phone Emerson 9283, is a member of an espionage ring working with the Soviet Secret Intelligence (NKVD),.

I recommend authorization of a technical surveillance on Glasser for the purpose of determining the extent of his activities on behalf of the Soviets and for the additional purpose of identifying espionage agents. (u)

Respectfully,

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Brigadier General Harry Hanks Vaughan
Military Aide to the President
The White House
Washington, D. C.

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Dear General Vaughan:

As a result of the Bureau's investigative operations, information has been recently developed from a highly confidential source indicating that a number of persons employed by the Government of the United States have been furnishing data and information to persons outside the Federal Government, who are in turn transmitting this information to espionage agents of the Soviet Government. At the present time it is impossible to determine exactly how many of these people had actual knowledge of the disposition being made of the information they were transmitting. The investigation, however, at this point has indicated that the persons named hereinafter were actually the source from which information passing through the Soviet espionage system was being obtained, and I am continuing vigorous investigation for the purpose of establishing the degree and nature of the complicity of these people in this espionage ring.

The Bureau's information at this time indicates that the following persons were participants in this operation or were utilized by principals in this ring for the purpose of obtaining data in which the Soviet is interested:

Dr. Gregory Silvermaster, a long time employee of the Department of Agriculture.

Harry Dexter White, Assistant to the Secretary of the Treasury.

George Silverman, formerly employed by the Railroad Retirement Board, and now reportedly in the War Department.
late President Roosevelt.
Laughlin Currie, former Administrative Assistant to the

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Victor O'Brien, formerly with the War Production Board and the Foreign Economic Administration.

Donald Wheeler, formerly with the Office of Strategic Services.

Major Duncan Lee, Office of Strategic Services.

Julius Joseph, Office of Strategic Services.

Helen Grenney, Office of Strategic Services.

Maurice Halperin, Office of Strategic Services.

Charles Kramer, formerly associated with Senator Kilgore.

Captain William Ludwig Ullman, United States Army Air Corps.

Lieutenant Colonel John H. Reynolds of the United States Army, a former contact of Galt Ovakimian, former head of the Soviet Secret Intelligence (NKVD) in New York, is also apparently involved in the Soviet espionage activities stemming from Washington, D. C.

In addition to the foregoing group in the Government it appears at this time that Mark Rice, formerly Secretary to Walter Lippmann, the newspaper columnist and presently publicity manager of the United Office and Professional Workers of America CIO, is also associated with the foregoing group.

The Government documents were furnished to Gregory Silvermaster, who thereafter photographed them and turned over the undeveloped, but exposed film to a contact of the Soviets.

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in either Washington, D. C. or New York City. In the past, it is reported, the contact man made trips to Washington, D. C. once every two weeks and would pick up on such occasions an average of forty rolls of 35-millimeter film.

Investigation of this matter is being pushed vigorously, but I thought that the President and you would be interested in having the foregoing preliminary data immediately.

With expressions of my highest esteem and best regards,

Sincerely yours,
J. Edgar Hoover

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November 14, 1945

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON
MR. TAMM

I returned President Truman's call at which time he advised he had been talking to "Foreign Ministers and Heads of States of Britain and Canada" and he was anxious for me to have an appointment with the Secretary of State, James Byrnes, tomorrow morning at 9:30AM in his office on the activities of the Soviet spies. The President asked that I tell the Secretary anything I have told him as a decision must be made within the next two days. I told the President that I would be glad to see the Secretary.

Very truly yours,

J.E.H.

John Edgar Hoover
Director

Gregory Silvermaster

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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. TOLSON
MR. Tamm
MR. Ladd

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Last evening the President called by telephone and stated that he had been in conference with the Prime Ministers of Great Britain and Canada and the Secretary of State relative to the activities dealing with Soviet espionage, and that he, the President, desired that I confer with the Secretary of State at 9:30 AM, November 15, 1945, at the Secretary of State's office and inform him of the various matters which I had discussed with him, the President, dealing with these activities, particularly the New York case which is known as the Elizabeth Bentley case.

I called at the office of the Secretary of State this morning and he stated that he was fully informed upon the so-called Ottawa Case, but he would like to have me outline to him the Bentley Case. I related to him generally what the developments had been, pointing out that this case had come to us but a week ago and that we were in the midst of running out such leads as had been developed in interviews with Elizabeth Bentley. I pointed out to the Secretary of State that the names of the various persons alleged by Bentley to have furnished information to representatives of the Soviet Government were allegations that had not as yet been fully corroborated. I told him, however, that many of these persons named were already in the files of the FBI and some had been the subjects of Hatch Act investigations, and that it was significant that these particular individuals should be among those named by the Bentley woman and, therefore, I was inclined to the view that there was some substance to her allegations, but, of course, thorough investigation would have to be made in this case before it would be claimed that the true facts could be established.

I mentioned to the Secretary of State that the following names have been mentioned by the Bentley woman:

- H. C. Silvermaster, now employed at the Treasury Department.
- William L. Glavin, major in the Air Corps.
- L. C. Silverman, civilian employee in Army Signal Corps.
- Harry D. White, Assistant to the Secretary of the Treasury.

- Tolson
- E. A. Tamm
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Loughlin ~~Currie~~, formerly a secretary to President Roosevelt.

Sonia ~~Gold~~, secretary to Mr. White in the Treasury Department.

Bill ~~Gold~~, husband of Sonia Gold, employed in Foreign Economic Administration.

Charles ~~Tracy~~, formerly with the National Labor Relations Board; and employed now by the Kilgore Senate Committee.

Victor ~~Perlo~~, formerly with WPS, now with Foreign Economic Administration.

Edward ~~G~~ Fitzgerald, formerly secretary to the Secretary of the Treasury.

Donald ~~Wheeler~~, formerly in Treasury Department; formerly employed by Senate Banking and Currency Committee, and then OSS.

Robert T. ~~W~~ Miller, Department of State.

Helen ~~Tenney~~, with OSS.

Maurice ~~Halperin~~, Head of Latin American Division, OSS.

Julius J. ~~O~~ Joseph, formerly with Social Security Board, and then OSS.

Duncan ~~Lee~~, formerly in law office of General Donovan and then OSS.

Mary ~~Price~~, formerly secretary to Walter Lippman.

Michael ~~Greenberg~~, with Foreign Economic Administration.

I then briefly outlined to the Secretary of State the information which we have concerning Communist infiltration of the Radiation Laboratory at Berkeley, California, as well as the activities at Los Alamos, New Mexico, both of which projects have been working upon the atom bomb. I mentioned particularly the activities of Dr. Oppenheimer. The Secretary was particularly interested in this matter as he had served on a committee appointed by the President dealing with certain phases of the atom bomb and had come in contact with Dr. Oppenheimer. He stated that he had had some suspicion in his mind concerning Dr. Oppenheimer but had nothing specific. I told him that I would have prepared for him a complete summary upon this matter and send it to him. Please see that this is promptly done.

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The Secretary of State then discussed briefly the Ottawa situation, stating that he had last night been in conference with MacKenzie King, the Prime Minister of Canada, and King was strongly inclined to the view of effecting the arrests of persons involved in the Ottawa matter who were residents of Canada and giving publicity to the same. The Secretary of State inquired as to whether this action might in any way hamper our investigations into the Bentley case or the aspects of the Ottawa case that have American angles. I told the Secretary that I could not definitely state that it would not have any effect upon the cases upon which we are working in the United States, and that I was of the opinion it probably would have, and cause certain persons under investigation to disappear or be circumspect in their activities.

He discussed then the larger matter of policy in convincing the public of the existence of Soviet espionage and I stated that I believed it would be more desirable to prepare immediately a detailed analysis of such facts as we have at hand and at the same time work very closely with both the British and Canadians upon these matters so that a report might be submitted to the respective heads of government as soon as possible and that they then could reach a decision. The Secretary of State stated he thought this would be desirable and that he would inform King that insofar as the United States was concerned it would not approve the taking of direct action in this matter until such time as I had indicated that direct action would not interfere with pending or current investigations in this matter.

I would like to have immediately prepared the necessary summary upon the Ottawa situation, the Bentley situation, and other Soviet espionage activities in such manner that I can transmit it to the Secretary of State. In connection with the Oppenheimer matter we should now immediately make efforts to obtain from the War Department the results of their investigations in this matter, as I understood from the memoranda I have seen that we have not been informed of the outcome of any of their investigations which they conducted on members of the armed forces or employees of the War Department.

I think it would be well to confer immediately with b1
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[redacted] representative in New York, [redacted]
as well as with the Communist expert in Ottawa, so as to bring together such material as may be available in order that our memorandum to the Secretary of State may be entirely complete.

Very truly yours,

J. Edgar Hoover

John Edgar Hoover
Director

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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS, ET AL. ESPIONAGE R. CONFIDENTIAL IN-
FORMANT GREGORY ADVISED THIS AFTERNOON THAT SHE HAD RECEIVED ANOTHER
VISIT FROM NELSON FRANK OF THE NY WORLD TELEGRAM AND THAT HE HAD INTER-
ROGATED HER FURTHER REGARDING THE QUOTE AFFAIRS UNQUOTE OF BOTH WORLD
TOURISTS INC. AND U. S. SHIPPING CORP. FRANK INFORMED HER THAT HE HAD
DETERMINED THAT WORLD TOURIST S INC. WAS CHARTERED IN NINETEEN TWENTYSEVEN
BY THREE MEMBERS OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY AND WAS
DESIROUS OF KNOWING IF WORLD TOURISTS INC. WAS STILL UNDER THE DOMINATION
OF THE CP. INFORMANT STATED THAT TO HER KNOWLEDGE WORLD TOURISTS INC.
WAS STILL UNDER THE DOMINATION OF THE CP. INFORMANT STATED THAT TO HER
KNOWLEDGE WORLD TOURISTS INC. WAS NOT IN FACT AFFILIATED WITH THE CP.
HE ALSO ASKED HER IF SHE WAS A MEMBER OF THE CP AS WELL AS LIEUTENANT
COLONEL REYNOLDS AND SHE REPLIED THAT SHE, OF COURSE, WAS NOT AND THAT
AS FAR AS SHE KNEW COLONEL REYNOLDS WAS NOT. IN CONNECTION WITH THE ABOVE
MENTIONED STATEMENT THE NEW YORK FILES REFLECT THAT WORLD TOURISTS INC.
WAS ACTUALLY CHARTERED ON JUNE TENTH NINETEEN TWENTYSEVEN AND THAT AS
OF NINETEEN FORTY THE OFFICERS WERE JOSEPH R. BRODSKY, PRESIDENT, ROBERT
WIENER, VICE PRESIDENT, ALEXANDER TRACHTENBERG, TREASURER, JACOB GOLOS,
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THERE WAS ALSO A NOTATION APPARENTLY APPEARING IN THE FILES OF DUN AND BRADSTREET THAT QUOTE COMPANY IS SAID TO HAVE COMMUNIST AFFILIATIONS UNQUOTE. IT WOULD APPEAR THAT THIS IS THE SOURCE OF FRANK'S INFORMATION RELATIVE TO THE COMMUNIST ORIGIN OF WORLD TOURISTS INC. INFORMANT STATED THAT SHE WAS VERY POLITE TO FRANK IN HER CONVERSATION WITH HIM BUT DECLINED TO GIVE HIM ANY INFORMATION REGARDING HER BACKGROUND WHEN HE REQUESTED IT. IN ACCORDANCE WITH A CONVERSATION HAD THIS MORNING BETWEEN ASAC DONEGAN AND MR. LISH WHITSON OF THE BUREAU, INFORMANT WAS REQUESTED TO GET IN TOUCH WITH EARL BROWDER SOME TIME THIS EVEING AND COMMUNICATE TO HIM THE CONTEMPLATED PUBLICITY. INFORMANT HAS AN APPOINTMENT TO SEE BROWDER THIS EVEING AT FIVE O-CLOCK AND WILL ADVISE AGENTS AS TO THE RESULTS. INFORMANT ALSO STATED THAT EVEN THOUGH COLONEL REYNOLDS IS ILL AT HOME SHE CONTEMPLATED TALKING TO HIM CONCERNING THE VISIT OF NELSON FRANK TO HER OFFICE AND THE PUBLICITY THAT WILL RESULT AND IT WAS SUGGESTED TO HER THAT THIS SHOULD BE DONE IN THE IMMEDIATE FUTURE AS IT WAS QUITE POSSIBLE THAT NELSON FRANK OR SOME OTHER MEMBER OF THE WORLD TELEGRAM STAFF MIGHT ATTEMPT TO GET IN TOUCH WITH REYNOLDS FOR AN INTERVIEW. A CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE INDICATED THAT INFORMANT TALKED TO REYNOLDS REGARDING THIS POSSIBLE PUBLICITY AND HE SEEMED VERY CONCERNED OVER THE MATTER. HE SUGGESTED THAT SHE CONTACT THEIR LAWYER.

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INFORMANT, HOWEVER, STATED THAT SHE HAS BEEN IN TOUCH WITH C. S. ~~BANNER-~~
~~MAN~~ AND THAT HE HAS INFORMED THERE IS NOTHING THAT HE CAN DO TO PREVENT
THIS PUBLICITY FROM APPEARING IN THE EVENT THE NEWSPAPER DECIDES TO
PRINT THE STORY. INFORMANT MET RAY ELSON THIS AFTERNOON AT LUCH AT
KLUBE-S. INFORMANT STATED THAT ELSON IS IN AN EXTREMELY NERVOUS STATE
DUE TO THE FACT THAT THE RANKIN COMMITTEE IS ATTEMPTING TO LOOK INTO THE
BOOKS AND RECORDS OF THE ~~NATIONAL~~ FEDERATION FOR CONSTITUTIONAL LIBERTIES
AND IS AFRAID THAT IF SUCH AN INVESTIGATION OF THIS ORGANIZATION IS
MADE HER CONNECTION WITH THE CP AND POSSIBLY THE RUSSIANS MAY BE UN-
COVERED. RE WFO TEL JANUARY TWENTYTHIRD CONCERNING MEETING TO TAKE PLACE
AT HOME OF MRS. LASKER, PHONETIC, IN NYC JANUARY TWENTYFOURTH, THERE ARE
NUMBEROUS REFERENCES TO LASKER IN NY INDICES AND SINCE TRUE NAME AND PLAC
OF MEETING NOT KNOWN NY WILL NOT COVER THIS MEETING UNLESS ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION FURNISHED. SAME TELETYPE REQUESTS NY AND PHILADELPHIA TO SUB
REGISTRATION AND BACKGROUND DATA CONCERNING OWNERS OF AUTOMOBILES. NO
NY REGISTRATION SPECIFIED. WFO SHOULD FURNISH NYC INFORMATION SO THAT
THIS LEAD MAY BE COVERED.

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cc Mr. Whitson

December 8, 1945

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PETER CHRISTOPHER RHODES:

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : THE DIRECTOR

FROM : MR. LADD

SUBJECT: N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS; ET AL
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DATE: January 28, 1946

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Mr. Hendon
Mr. Pennington
Mr. Quinn Tamm
Tele. Room
Mr. Nease
Miss Beahm
Miss Gandy

Assistant SAC Carl Hennrich, Washington Field Office, phoned at 1:45 PM January 28, 1946 and requested authority to temporarily discontinue the technical surveillance on subject Harold Glasser in order to put temporary technical coverage on subject Edward Fitzgerald. The Washington Field Office has authorization for a technical on Fitzgerald, but has not been able to install it because of technical problems involving the "tie lines." In order to install the technical on Fitzgerald, it would be necessary to utilize the tie line now covering Harold Glasser's residence [REDACTED]

You will recall that Glasser is an employee of the U. S. Treasury Department under Harry Dexter White and is reportedly scheduled to go to Japan in the near future as a Treasury Advisor.

Subject Edward Fitzgerald is an employee of the Department of Commerce and is known to many of the other subjects in this case. We have not, however, had a technical surveillance on him to date because of the aforementioned technical difficulties.

ACTION:

It is respectfully recommended that you authorize a temporary discontinuance of the temporary surveillance on Glasser so that an installation can be made on Fitzgerald.

It is not contemplated that the surveillance will be left on Fitzgerald if it appears that it is not as productive as the present technical in effect on Glasser.

WFO advised
of Director's approval
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On January 18, 1946, Cedric Belfrage kept a prearranged meeting at Tony's restaurant in New York City with an individual later identified as Berthold Viertel. Belfrage and Viertel spent about four hours in conversation at this restaurant. 41

While in New York City on January 15 and 16, Belfrage stayed at the residence of Maria Velas, 154 East 75th Street.

Wiertel was born on June 25, 1905, in Vienna, Austria. During the last war he served in the Austrian Army, being mustered out with the commission of Oberleutnant. After leaving Austria, he resided in the United Kingdom for a period of time. He was employed by Firth Shepherd Shaftsbury Theater, London, England as a stage director at a salary of £1,500 per production from December, 1933, to January, 1939; Summit British Pictures Corporation, Shoppers Bush, London, England, as a film director from the fall of 1934 to May, 1935, under Michael Balcan, and from September, 1931, to May, 1934.

Viartel at the early age of 14 was a poet and lyricist. At the age of 27 he was manager of his own theater in Vienna. In 1914 Max Reinhardt invited Viartel to Berlin and under the former's auspices Viartel built up the Dresden State Theater. He produced many plays in Berlin and directed motion pictures in Hollywood, California, as early as 1922. He has also directed many prominent plays both in this country, England, and Germany. He is married to Salma Viartel who is a writer, born in Poland, and formerly an actress on the German stage who she was associated with Max Reinhardt.

There are numerous indications that he has been in contact with individuals suspected of Soviet espionage.

Wife, too, has been in contact with individuals strongly under suspicion. In August of 1943 he was one of a group of individuals who met for the purpose of sending a telegram to Moscow, USSR, in support of the Free German Movement. This meeting was held in his home. Viertel has also been in correspondence with the Free German Group operating in Mexico City and has contributed articles to their publication "Freies Deutschland." There are numerous other instances of Viertel's association with such outstanding figures in the German Communist parallel of the Comintern as Berthold Brecht and Heinrich Mann. Viertel's wife, Selma, resides at 144 Mayberry Road, Santa Monica, California. She is presently in definite financial straits, largely due to assistance which she has freely given to indigent liberal German refugees in the United States. Viertel himself has been residing in New York City since the summer of 1944, at 146 West 54th Street.

Felton	all
E. A. Tamm	all
Clegg	saved
Coffey	all
Glavin	all
Ladd	all
Nichols	all
Rosen	all
Tracy	all
Carson	all
Egan	all
Gurnea	all
Hendon	all
Pennington	all
Quinn Tamm	all
Nease	all
Gandy	all

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14 is possible that Balfrago became acquainted with Vioral either in England or during his residence on the West Coast of the United States. Vioral's most recent contact with the U.K. was on April 27, 1946.

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forwarded to him from Karl Wallf, Chairman, and Siegfried Kimmring, Secretary of the Free German League of Culture in Great Britain. This cablegram read: "Most heartfelt birthday congratulations to our President and cofounder and best wishes for a bright future." (u)

Viertel at the present time is associated with the Council for Democratic Germany, a Communist-front organization in New York City. Viertel last entered the United States aboard the SS Ile de France on May 10, 1950. He indicated his occupation as author, film director, movie director, writer, and producer, and listed as his nearest relatives or friends in the country from which he came, namely England, as follows: "Wife - Mrs. Susan Mann, 3 Upper Addison Gardens, London, England; Friend - Hugo Schlesinger, 30 Aberdeen Place, London, England; Friend - (no name given), 3 High Point, N.O., London, England." (u)

With reference to Maria Jolas, the only information available dates back to May 23, 1943, when "France America", a publication of the Free French in New York City, carried an article concerning the fact that France Forever, with the French-American Club's help, had established a canteen at 733 Second Avenue, New York City. The management of this canteen was stated to be under the Chairmanship of Mrs. Eugene Jolas, an American, and a Mrs. Eugene Gentil, President of the Women's Auxiliary. Mrs. Jolas was determined to be an American with no active connections with any French organizations. (u)

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cc - Mr. John A. Cimperman
Legal Attache
The American Embassy
London, England

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Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Director, FBI

DATE: November 26, 1945

FROM : SAC, Los Angeles

SUBJECT: ELIZABETH TERRILL MONTGOMERY, ETAL
ESPIONAGE - R

N. Gregory Silvermaster
N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER

Reference is made to Bureau teletype dated November 19, 1945, in the above captioned case.

The records of Immigration and Naturalization Service, Rowan Building, Los Angeles, were checked by Special Agent MICHAEL J. KATNE, JR. and the only information concerning either CEDRIC BELFRAGE or his wife, MARY BEATRICE PIGOTT BELFRAGE was that contained in the declaration of intention to become a citizen filed by each of these individuals on November 14, 1937.

The only address on file was the one originally given which was 1925 Oakden Drive, Los Angeles. A review of the records indicates that CEDRIC BELFRAGE entered the United States at San Ysidro, California, on July 6, 1937, by automobile from Tijuana, Mexico, under an Immigration visa.

CEDRIC BELFRAGE, who is listed in Los Angeles Immigration and Naturalization file No. 23-56992, was described as follows:

Nativity	London, England
Birthdate	November 8, 1904
Sex	Male
Color	White
Height	6'
Weight	160
Eyes	Blue-grey
Hair	Brown
Complexion	Fair
Marital status	Married, January 20, 1936, London.
Occupation	Writer

MARY BEATRICE PIGOTT BELFRAGE, who is listed in Los Angeles Immigration and Naturalization file No. 23-57078, is described as follows:

Nativity	Liverpool, England
Birthdate	July 25, 1903
Sex	Female
Color	White
Height	5' 3 3/4"
Weight	114
Eyes	Blue

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Director, FBI

November 26, 1945

Re: ELIZABETH TERRILL BENTLEY, ETAL
ESPIONAGE - R

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Hair
Complexion
Children

Brown

Fair

One daughter, SALLY MARY CAROLINE, BENTLEY
born Los Angeles.

There being no further investigation conducted at this time, this case is being referred upon completion to the office of origin.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

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TO : Director, FBI Att: Asst. Dir. D. M. Ladd

DATE: November 26, 1945

FROM : SAC, New York

SUBJECT: N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER,
with aliases, ET AL;
ESPIONAGE - R

⁶ There are transmitted herewith to the Bureau three copies of Pages 6Y to ⁶7 of the statement presently being taken from Informant ELIZABETH TERRELL BENTLEY. These pages should be added to those previously delivered to the Bureau by Asst. SAC T. J. DONEGAN and those forwarded by New York letter of November 23, 1945.

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There are transmitted with a copy of this letter to the Washington Field Office two copies of the pages above described which should be attached to the material previously furnished to the Washington Field Office.

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November 27, 1945
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Director, FBI

Re: N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, Et Al;
ESPIONAGE - R

Attention: Mr. D. M. LADD

Dear Sir:

There are attached pages numbers seventy-eight to ninety-two of the statement which is being obtained from ELIZABETH TERRELL BENTLEY and which should be attached to those portions of this statement previously furnished to the Bureau.

Very truly yours,

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TO : Director, FBI Att: Asst. Dir. D. W. LADD DATE: November 30, 1945

FROM : SAC, New York

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SUBJECT: N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER,
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ESPIONAGE - R

M. S. Nightingale

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Reference is made to the letter from [redacted] to the Bureau dated November 28, 1945 concerning the photograph of MAT S. NIGHTINGALE. \$

This photograph was exhibited to Confidential Informant ELIZABETH TERRIN BENTLEY and she failed to identify it.

[redacted] copy of the photograph of MAT S. NIGHTINGALE is being transmitted herewith to the Bureau for the completion of its files. \$

It is requested that the Bureau advise [redacted]

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M.S. Nightingale

height 6' 1" or 2"
weight 165 lbs
slim build
light-brown hair
thining in front
walks stooped

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GUY HOTTEL, SAC

W. ALBERT STEWART, JR., Special Agent

SPECIAL SQUAD CONFERENCE

November 30, 1945

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On November 29, 1945, at 2:30 PM a conference was held for the Special Case Squad, at which time Assistant SAC HENNRICH advised that photographs were presently available of ULLMAN, WHITE, PERAZICH, et. al.

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Assistant SAC DONEGAN addressed the conference and advised there is presently pending a request for some 92 additional men in order that schedules may be set up to facilitate the proper handling of the surveillances and to relieve the instant pressure. Mr. DONEGAN impressed that our main problem in connection with these surveillances is to ascertain the contacts through which the Russians are getting information out of this country and that we should not lose sight of this main objective. It was pointed out by Mr. DONEGAN that during a particular surveillance when circumstances point to a possible meet or contact, more chances necessarily must be taken by the Agents conducting the surveillance in their attempts to move in closer and establish the identity of the contact. A specific example occurring in the instant case was used by Mr. DONEGAN to point out the problem.

In this instance four men were conducting a surveillance on one of the subjects and the subject, after going through various gyrations intended to shake any tail which might be on him, was followed by one of the Agents while the other three Agents had faded out of the picture momentarily and when the Agent who was on the subject found himself in a position where his intents might have been surmised by the subject and necessarily had to drop the tail, the other three Agents were not in the proper position to assist or take up the tail where the first Agent had left off and consequently the contact was lost. Mr. DONEGAN emphasized it was just such an occasion where necessity demanded that the Agents on surveillance become bolder and more ingenious.

A further suggestion was offered by Mr. DONEGAN that the Agents on the various surveillances in the instant case should exchange their experiences in an effort to gain a more composite picture of the maneuverings and activities of the various subjects.

Mr. DONEGAN further emphasized that in connection with the surveillance logs, they should be written up promptly and above all be factually correct as they are the only written record of the movements of the various subjects that is had.

Assistant SAC HENNRICH took over from this point and entered on a discussion concerning the activities, maneuverings, and gyrations of the

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Guy Hottel, SAC
Re: Special Squad Conference

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subjects in the instant case as set out in the interview of ELIZABETH BENTLEY and read from her statement as follows:

"In the course of my association with the Russians, commencing at the time I met GOLOS and continuing to the present date, I have been instructed to be extremely cautious to determine that I was not being followed. I recall that some time in 1941 GOLOS informed me that it would be advisable to make a tour of the city and to ascertain several locations where it would be very easy to elude a surveillance in the event that I determined that I was being followed. He informed me that I should attempt to locate drug stores with two exits, if possible a ladies' rest room with more than one exit, and movie theaters and other places that would be suitable for dodging in and out rather quickly and thereby eluding any surveillance that I might be aware of. I was further instructed by GOLOS in another technique to determine whether or not either he or myself was being followed. In the event that GOLOS was going to meet someone or if I were going to meet someone, GOLOS or myself would leave the office first and then the other party would remain in the office for a short time to see if one of the parties was being followed. Subsequently, the party remaining in the office would go to the street and continue a reasonable distance behind the other and continue to walk until such time as it was determined that another person was being followed. At the time this was determined, the two people would get together and exchange an appropriate sign indicating that the coast was clear.

"Another technique was, if you were suspicious that you were being followed, to note the number of any suspicious automobile that was outside the building you happened to be in, memorize the last two numbers of the license plate and then attempt to determine if this particular car was following you. A good way to lose this so-called automobile surveillance was to take a subway or to go down one or several one-way streets in the opposite direction to the regular vehicle traffic.

"Another technique was that in the event it was a 'foot' surveillance, you would cross and recross the street at frequent intervals and in that way be able to determine if the person you suspected was crossing and recrossing the street with you and thereby determine if you were being followed.

"It was a policy not to indicate that you were aware of the surveillance, that is by directly looking around, but always to

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"travel in such a way that you could see behind you without arousing the suspicion of the person who was following you. In the event that it was impossible to lose the surveillance by the above mentioned methods, the last resort was to turn around and start following the person who was following you. Incidentally, JACK, one of my Russian contacts, informed me that he found this to be probably the best method for shaking off a surveillance.

"In connection with meeting my present contact, AL, we have a pre-arranged plan that in the event I am standing at a designated meeting place and am suspicious that I am being watched or followed, when I see him approaching, I light a cigarette which is an indication to him that I am being either watched or followed and, therefore, he will not contact me at this particular place.

"Another technique that I know of the Russians using in determining whether people are being either followed or watched is that they will set a definite date on which they are to meet one of their individuals and indicate that the meeting will take place at either four o'clock, six o'clock, or eight o'clock on that certain date. On the appointed day they will have someone watch the person they are to meet and will purposely not meet them. They will again watch the activities of this individual at six o'clock and again purposely not meet them. As a matter of fact, even at the eight o'clock meeting they might decide not to actually meet the person. The purpose of this is, of course, to determine whether the individual they are to meet is under surveillance. The Russians do not necessarily pick three meetings in one day but sometimes would arrange for three meetings in one week and would watch these people as set forth above.

"In connection with my association with GOLOS, he instructed me to be extremely cautious when I had any material in my residence and suggested in the event I had such material and left my apartment, I should place a book behind my front door in such a manner that when I returned, I could open the door four or five inches and remove the book. In the event that anyone had entered my apartment in the meantime, this book, of course, would not be in the same place I left it and would indicate to me that some individual had been in my apartment.

"I also recall that I had a trunk in my apartment during my activities with GOLOS and he instructed me that in the event I

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"I never placed any material or intelligence information in my trunk, a thin black thread should be placed around the lock of the trunk in such a manner that if it were opened in my absence, I would be able to tell this upon my return.

"Another matter which all of my Russian contacts were extremely cautious about was the disposal of trash. I was instructed that I was to either burn or flush down the toilet any material that contained any information that I gathered during my operations. In no instance was I to dispose of this trash by normal means.

"Another precaution that was taken in connection with this work was that whenever I made a trip to Washington to obtain intelligence information from my various contacts in that city, I was to remove all identification marks from my clothing and I was also instructed not to carry anything in my pocketbook that would indicate to anyone my real identity or the identity of anyone associated with me.

"In connection with my meetings with the various individuals with whom I did business for my Russian contacts, I was instructed to have these meetings in public places if at all possible and particularly to avoid hotels, private homes, railroad stations, and low-class bars.

"In connection with my trips to Washington, I never carried any brief case or suitcase but did take with me a large pocketbook in which I could place the material I obtained. As the volume of the material increased I purchased a knitting bag and took to knitting on the train and would place the voluminous material in the knitting bag. When I was in New York and obtained any material from my contacts, if this material were voluminous, this material would be placed in a shopping bag that had a department store name or other similar identification. I recall that when I was to return the enlarger that LUDWIG JULIMAN turned over to me, JACK instructed me not to hand this to him personally but to take this to a locker in the Greyhound bus terminal on 31st Street in New York City and that when I subsequently saw him, I was to turn over to him the key to this locker and he would have someone pick this up. On other occasions I utilized lockers in railroad terminals and I know this was a favored device adopted where some bulky object had to be delivered from one person to another.

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"During the course of my activities with all of my Russian contacts, I wish to state that I never have been trained in the use of any secret writings or reagents and I have never been supplied with any codes or ciphers that I was to use. In fact, I was informed by GOLOS that I should not concern myself with such matters.

"Throughout my association with GOLOS And the other Russians described herein, I was always cautioned not to say anything important over the telephone but rather to converse in such a manner as to lead anyone listening to believe that the call was purely social. Further, I was told to be alert for any unusual buzzing or clicks when I was talking on the phone. Along this line, I remember that JACK on one occasion told me he had done almost nothing for two years or so except to tap telephones and one time while I was living at 58 Barrow Street, he mentioned that he would come over with some equipment he had and would check my telephone to see if there was a tap on it. I moved from 58 Barrow Street shortly thereafter, however, and he never made this check. I also recall that JACK mentioned to me that it was no longer necessary to have a microphone in a room in order to hear conversations therein but that some device had been developed which could be located several rooms away and bring in a conversation as though there were a microphone right in the room.

"Outside telephones were to be utilized when a person was making a call he did not want overheard and instructions were that the person should either use a phone booth in between two booths already occupied or else should select a booth which would allow observation of persons going in to occupy adjacent booths.

"In addition to JACK's statement that one time he had spent a couple of years tapping telephones, he told me he was proficient in photography, opening letters, and gaining access to buildings and offices and when I told him GOLOS had never instructed me along those lines, he remarked that GOLOS had always treated me as a lady and that I was in fact a novice. He even mentioned that GOLOS had engaged in some of these practices himself because I remember JACK mentioned at one time that GOLOS had made unauthorized visits to the office of RICHARD WALDE in the McClure Syndicate.

"Concerning the disposition made by GOLOS of material turned over to him by me, I recall that immediately upon my return

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"From Washington to New York, I would in each instance immediately call him at his residence as it was usually in the evening hours and he would arrange to meet me that same evening and take from me what material was ready. Sometimes, of course, I had shorthand notes of information dictated to me in Washington and I would transcribe them at my earliest opportunity either at home or in the office and give them to him. He never retained this material in his various places of residence but rather kept it apparently until he could relay it on in his safe at the office of World Tourists, Inc. It is my impression that he was passing on such material to someone else in New York City and my belief in this regard is based partly on a statement subsequently made to me by JACK to the effect that during the time I had been acting as a courier for GOLOS, the material I would bring to New York would be taken right back to Washington and that this system was undesirable because of the waste of time and risk involved.

"In connection with my belief that this material was being turned over to an individual in New York, I recall that one of the individuals who was a contact of GOLOS to whom he turned this information over was one CHARLIE whom I have described as a dentist who was a long time resident and practitioner in Manhattan.

"Concerning the remark made by JACK that the material brought by me to New York was almost immediately returned to Washington and that this method of operation was undesirable, I learned that the mode of operation which was devised later was to eliminate any of the material originating in Washington, D. C., from leaving that city. It is my belief in view of this that the material originating in Washington is going directly to the Russian Embassy.

"Concerning the selection of personnel to be utilized by the Russians in their intelligence work, it is my recollection that shortly after I met GOLOS in 1938, he told me that the emphasis was at that time on 'de-Russianizing' their agents as much as possible and in later years I observed that the Russians went to great lengths in their efforts to have their associates dress and act as native born Americans. They also became increasingly desirous of enlisting native born American citizens and the emphasis definitely was away from first or second generations or other Europeans. The personnel apparently was to be recruited for the most part from the Communist Party organizations in the United States and its fringe groups. They also became anxious to enlist the services of unmarried American girls, preferably proficient in stenography so that they

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"might secure employment in offices in which the Russians might be interested or to act as couriers between American elements in their work. Examples in this category are MARY PRICE and HELEN TENNEY. The Russians also indicated that American girls would be valuable because they could entertain persons to suit the purposes of the Russians.

"In the latter part of 1944 I learned through my contact JACK that the Russians were providing code names for various governmental agencies as well as for all people who were supplying them information. I recall particularly that the FBI was referred to as 'hotel', and that the FEA was referred to as 'villa'. JACK did not inform me of any of the other code names that were designated for other various governmental agencies.

"During my years of association with the Russians, I visited the U.S.S.R. Consulate in New York City on only two occasions and both visits were made upon the request of Consular officials who desired to discuss with me some phase of the business being conducted by the U. S. Service and Shipping Corporation. One time after I visited the Consulate, I told GOLOS about it and he reprimanded me for having gone there and I pointed out to him that it was on specific request of the Consulate and that it was in furtherance of business of my firm. I have never been invited to nor have I visited the U.S.S.R. Embassy in Washington through I did ask occasionally if it were not possible for me to attend functions there as I knew GOLOS occasionally arranged for certain Americans to be invited to Embassy functions. I recall further in connection with the reason given me by GOLOS for his forbidding me to visit the Consulate, that the FBI was watching the Consulate and that my appearance there would accordingly be noted by the FBI. None of GOLOS' successors, that is, BILL, JACK, or AL, would permit me to visit the Consulate and said that none of 'their people' were allowed to go there.

"During the time that I was associated in the Russian espionage setup in the United States, I had several individuals through whom I delivered material and in other ways carried on my activities. One of these individuals was known to me as MARGARET whom I recall as being:

Height
Weight
Hair
Eyes

Approximately 5 ft. 10 in. or 5 ft. 11 in.
Approximately 180 pounds
Brown
Brown; wore heavy rimless glasses

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"This woman had very broad shoulders and was heavily built. It was my recollection that she was probably employed by ANTONIO. Sometime in October of 1943 COLOS told me that I was to meet MARGARET and that she would introduce me to a new person to whom I was to deliver the material that I obtained from the SILVERMASTER group. I subsequently met MARGARET and was introduced to an individual I know only as CATHERINE.

"CATHERINE is described as

"Age	Approximately 34 or 35
Height	5 ft. 8 in. or 5 ft. 9 in.
Weight	140 pounds
Build	Slender

"She has dark blond hair and at that time wore her hair in sort of feather-cut fashion. She has blue green eyes, is light complexioned, and has a small turned up nose. She usually wears suits with ruffled blouses. I recall that she had some trouble with her feet and wears, as I recall, a size eight shoe and these are usually flat heeled. She was at one time a secretary and had a knowledge of shorthand and typing. I am virtually positive that CATHERINE is a native born American and have some faint recollection that she mentioned having come from Kansas or possibly some other Midwestern state. She talks with a typical Midwestern accent and has all the mannerisms of a native born American. I learned from BILL that he used to court her in Washington in 1938 or 1939 and remember he mentioned having visited her in a rooming house where she resided. Although she and BILL mentioned that they had been married seven years, I am somewhat certain that they had not, in fact, been married that long. In July or August of 1944 CATHERINE gave birth to a daughter and at this time she was living on Fifth Avenue near 8th Street in New York City. I subsequently learned that probably in September of 1944 CATHERINE and BILL moved from New York to either Baltimore or Washington.

"With reference to a physical description of BILL, I recall him as being approximately 38 to 40 years of age; 5 feet ten to eleven inches; 150 to 156 pounds; medium slender build; straight black hair parted on the left side. His hair has a habit of falling down on his forehead and he continues to brush it back with his hand. He has brownish black eyes that appear sunken;

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"short turned up nose; high cheek bones; oval face; Slavic type; rather large lips, somewhat purple bluish in color; and small teeth. He has either a missing tooth or a large space in the upper right side of his mouth. He is a meticulous dresser and wears young businessmen's type clothes, wears a triangular shaped handkerchief in his pocket which usually matches his tie and socks. In the summer time he wears brown and white seersucker suits, brown and white sport shoes, and a cocoanut colored straw hat. His occupation, as far as I can tell from his conversations, is that either of a clothing salesman or someone in the clothing industry. He speaks English fairly well with a Russian or European accent.

"In about September, 1944, at the time that BILL was contemplating moving to Baltimore or Washington, he informed me that I was going to take care of the SILVERMASTER group and he would not have any further connections with him. He did indicate, however, that two weeks from the date that I last saw him I was to go to a drug store on Lexington Avenue somewhere in the 50's and would be met there by a person who would accost me, make a remark to the effect that he had seen me before, and I was to agree and ask if he were the person who was so intoxicated at the party the other night or some conversation to that effect. In accordance with these instructions, I met an individual known to me only as JACK who is described as

Height	Approximately 5 ft. 9 in.
Weight	175 to 180 pounds
Build	Athletic, husky
Hair	Dark blond, kinky, receding very slightly at the center.
Eyebrows	Unusually thin
Eyes	Brilliant blue
Nose	Slightly curved Jewish type

"He does not wear glasses and has partial dentures. His lips are thin and he usually dresses rather poorly. Is not at all meticulous about his personal appearance. Usually wears gray suits and brown shoes and has a slight limp in his left leg which is noticeable when he walks rapidly. JACK is typically Jewish in appearance and from what he told me, was born in Lithuania and is intensely pro-Semitic.

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"He speaks Russian, Yiddish, Hebrew, Lithuanian, and English with a typical East Side New York accent. From his appearance I would estimate JACK's age at 36 or 37. I learned that JACK suffered acutely from stomach ulcers and recall his having told me he was receiving medical treatment because of this condition, mentioning one time that he would have to be hospitalized, his exact reference being that he was considering going to the Mayo Clinic.

"It was apparent to me that JACK knows New York City and Washington, D. C., very intimately and must have spent considerable time in the United States. I remember that JACK once told me his real name was a good Lithuanian family name and that he was not of pure Jewish blood. I recall that JACK usually came to New York on a Monday or Tuesday and would return to Washington on Thursday. I further recall meeting JACK on occasional weekends in Washington and he appeared almost as a matter of routine to divide his time almost equally between Washington and New York. He claimed to be single, never to have been married and mentioned some unhappy love affair either in Russia or Lithuania.

"It was very apparent from my conversations with AL that he was in fact the superior of JACK. At one time JACK had intimated to me that it was the desire of the Russians to split up the larger groups. I recall that I had made some mention that this was a typical OGPU arrangement. JACK appeared to be very startled at this remark and pretended to portray extreme ignorance of what I was talking about. I told him it was silly of him to attempt to deceive me with reference to his true connection and that I didn't like his lying in that regard and he told me that although he regretted lying, at times it was necessary and remarked that the Russians did not want their American contacts to know with whom they were dealing.

"I had two meetings with JACK in Washington, D. C., in December, prior to Christmas 1944, one being at the Roger Smith Hotel and the other a breakfast meeting at the new Hotel Statler. At my meeting with JACK at the Statler Hotel he told me that AL was desirous of having me stay over the next day to see him. I did remain in Washington the following day and saw AL and at this time he told me it would be necessary for me to see all of the people that I was then

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"contacting in Washington and inform them that I would no longer handle their material. I was told by AL to inform these people that I was anticipating going to the hospital for an appendectomy and that during the time I was in the hospital, they would be contacted by another individual. AL told me that it probably would not be a good idea to break off immediately and that if I did it in this manner, these arrangements could more easily be handled. As a matter of fact, I did see these people in Washington, D. C., with the exception of the PERLO group and informed them of my impending operation and the fact that they would be contacted by another individual. In this connection I gave instructions along these lines to

HELEN TENNEY
MAURICE HALPERN
Major DUNCAN LEE

JOSEPH GREGG
J. JULIUS JOSEPH
BERNARD REDMONT

and possibly one or two others whose identities I do not presently recall.

"I remember nothing further of significance on the occasion of these two meetings in Washington with JACK and during his conversation, it was apparent that he was attempting to familiarize himself as best he could with the activities and potentialities of the persons whom he had taken over from me.

"It was also during this month that I purchased a considerable number of Christmas gifts for my Washington contacts and recall that on one trip I made to Washington from New York I had three suitcases full of Christmas presents. I would estimate that my purchases for Christmas presents to these people amounted to \$400 or \$500, reimbursement for which was made by JACK who seemed to consider the expenditures very mild. In the matter of giving Christmas presents to these people, I had purchased a present for each member of a particular contact's family and recall that among the persons who received gifts purchased by me on JACK's instructions were

HELEN TENNEY
J. JULIUS JOSEPH
BERNARD REDMONT and his
wife
MARY PRICE

JOSEPH GREGG, his wife and two
children
Major DUNCAN LEE and wife
MAURICE HALPERN, his wife and two
children

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"MILRED PRICE and her husband (HAROLD ~~BOY~~)

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"and 9 or 10 members of the PERLO group.

"It was during this same period that JACK was attempting to make appropriate arrangements for someone to replace me with my duties with the U. S. Service and Shipping Corporation and to arrange a vacation for me, probably in January or February, 1945, that my apprenticeship had now been served and that I was now ready to become what he termed a 'pole'. In requesting an explanation of the term 'pole', JACK explained a plan of operations that either had just been put into operation or a plan they were anticipating putting into action which is described as follows:

"A single unit would be formulated. For example, there would be six individuals who were obtaining information for the Russians and no one of these six individuals would know the identity of the other five. Each individual would have a messenger and/or a mail drop by which means they could dispose of the information that they gathered and these individuals would in like manner not know the true identity of the messenger or the identity of the mail drop. One individual would be responsible for finally gathering the information from three messengers or mail drops and correlate it. This one individual would in turn have a messenger or a mail drop to whom he would relay this information. In like manner the other three individuals gathering information would transmit their information through messengers and/or mail drops to one other individual. The two individuals who gathered and correlated the information from the original six would also have a messenger and/or a mail drop to whom they would transmit the information. As a result, one single individual, unknown to anyone else in the group would eventually come into possession of all the information obtained by the original six individuals. This individual would know all of the original obtainers of the information, messengers, mail drops, and the subsequent two persons who obtained this information from the original six. The last named individual, the one who has the knowledge of the entire setup of this system, would, according to JACK, normally be a Russian who in turn would have to turn this information to an individual higher up the ladder than he.

"However, JACK informed me that in view of my previous experience and my loyalty, that I would probably be entrusted with this sort of position. JACK informed me that the purpose of this system was that in the event anything happened to any one member

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"of this whole group, the identities and activities of the other members would not be known to this individual and, therefore, they could operate with extreme security."

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Assistant SAC HENNRICH impressed upon the Agents that no material which has any connection with the instant case should be taken out of the office and no notes concerning the instant case which might advise outsiders of the investigation should be carried in the possession of the Agents outside the office.

In respect to the surveillance logs, Mr. HENNRICH pointed out that it is absolutely essential that these logs be written up and submitted each night before leaving the office and that these logs should be placed in Mr. HENNRICH's or JOHN SWARTZ' mail folder. They should preferably be written in longhand, should contain the time the surveillance was started, should record the actual time that the subject is under surveillance, the name of the Agent who has the subject in view at all times, the location of the second, third, or fourth Agent at the time the first Agent has the subject in view, and where the circumstances of the surveillance cause a considerable time separation between the Agents, then separate logs should be submitted by each Agent. The logs should show in detail accounts of all fast maneuverings of the subject and where a surveillance has been discontinued, the reason for such discontinuance should be apparent from reading the log. (u)

Mr. HENNRICH further stated that the identities of all individuals residing in the immediate vicinity of the various subjects should be ascertained and a memorandum to this effect be submitted not later than December 1, 1945.

Areas adjacent to residences of subjects should be screened and any recommendations for possible plants should be turned in to him as soon as possible.

It was pointed out that there has been prepared and in the custody of Special Agent STEWART individual technical logs on each of the subjects presently under technical surveillance and that this information is readily available for the Agents' review and that these should be reviewed daily, that in addition to this they should call in the office periodically to inquire for immediate technical information as it becomes available. (u)

Mr. HENNRICH stated that in connection with the Agents signing out automobiles after 8:30 in the morning, they should call his secretary and give her the number of the car they sign out, as well as placing the number of

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this car on their number three card. The reason for this is that each morning at 8:30 the receptionist prepares a schedule of the automobiles signed out, together with their numbers, and places this list on Mr. HENNRICH's desk to facilitate radio contact with these cars.

Mr. HENNRICH further pointed out that in connection with Mr. DONEGAN's statement that additional manpower was forthcoming for work on the instant case, that surveillance schedules are being set up on a definite shift basis, using as an example shifts from 7:00 to 4:00 and 3:00 to 12:00, etc. It was further emphasized that in the event an Agent was scheduled on a 7:00 to 4:00 shift and previous observation had determined that his particular subject started moving before 7:00 o'clock in the morning, it was his responsibility to be there at the particular time before 7:00 in order that complete coverage might be had, and the same holds true for the Agent who might be on the 3:00 to 12:00 shift. If his particular subject continued to move after midnight, it was that Agent's responsibility to stay with him until he went to bed. It was pointed out that the surveillance schedule to be set up would show a rotating plan which would allow each Agent two days a week free. The schedule of hours will be so staggered that it will allow each Agent to spend one day a week in the office to concentrate his efforts on investigative work rather than straight surveillance.

In connection with the alleged contact that was made by JOSEPH GREGG on November 28, 1945, which contact was previously referred to in Mr. DONEGAN's example, the meeting took place at 7:50 PM at the Ambassador theater, 18th and Columbia Road, N. W., and the individual with whom the contact was made is described as follows:

Age	38 to 40
Height	5 ft. 6 in.
Weight	145 lbs.
Build	Medium

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The individual wore a dark suit, dark shoes, and a dark Chesterfield type overcoat and wore a dark Homburg type hat. He is heavily bearded although somewhat shaven and had a square type jaw.

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NATHAN GREGORY SILVERMASTER, WAS., ET AL. ESPIONAGE - R. LATE LAST EVENING INFORMANT ~~GREGORY~~ ADVISED THAT NELSON FRANK, A WRITER FOR THE NEW YORK WORLD TELEGRAM HAD BEEN TO THE OFFICES OF WORLD TOURISTS INC. AND HAD TALKED TO LOUIS BERDANSKY AND QUESTIONED HIM RELATIVE TO THE SETUP OF THE PACKAGE BUSINESS ENGAGED IN BY THAT FIRM. FRANK INDICATED TO BERDANSKY THAT HE WAS GATHERING MATERIAL FOR A STORY HE WAS GOING TO PUBLISH RELATIVE TO THE FOOD PACKAGE SERVICE BETWEEN THE US AND RUSSIA. FRANK WAS EXTREMELY INTERESTED IN DETERMINING THE EXCESSIVE AMOUNT OF DUTY THAT HAD TO BE PAID FOR SHIPPING FOOD PACKAGES FROM THIS COUNTRY TO RUSSIA. APPARENTLY BERDANSKY GAVE THIS WRITER SOME INFORMATION REGARDING THE RAMIFICATIONS OF THE PACKAGE BUSINESS BUT INDICATED THAT THE US SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORP. WAS THE CORPORATION THAT ACTUALLY HANDLED THE SHIPMENTS FOR THE USSR. SUBSEQUENTLY, LATE IN THE AFTERNOON OF JANUARY TWENTYSECOND, NELSON FRANK TALKED TO INFORMANT GREGORY AND ATTEMPTED TO DETERMINE FROM HIM ALL OF THE INFORMATION HE COULD CONCERNING THE RAMIFICATIONS OF THIS BUSINESS, THE AMOUNT OF INSURANCE, DUTY AND OTHER CHARGES THAT HAD TO BE PAID BY A PERSON SHIPPING FOOD PACKAGES TO USSR. ASKED INFORMANT IF CONCERN WERE,

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INFORMANT EXPLAINED DETAILS OF CORPORATION-S OPERATIONS TO FRANK WHO INFORMED HER HE WAS PREPARING ARTICLES FOR PUBLICATION. SHE DID NOT TELL HIM, NOR DID HE INDICATE HE KNEW AT THAT TIME THAT LIEUTENANT COLONEL JOHN H. REYNOLDS WAS CORPORATION OFFICER AND STOCKHOLDER. THIS MORNING FRANK TELEPHONICALLY INFORMED SPECIAL AGENT W. T. MARCHESSAULT THAT HE HAD BEEN MAKING INQUIRIES AT OFFICES OF WORLD TOURISTS INC. AND U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORP., THAT HE HAD DEVELOPED INFORMATION INDICATING THAT DUTY IMPOSED BY USSR ON PACKAGE SHIPMENTS TO THAT COUNTRY WERE EXHORBITANT AND THAT HE PLANNED ONE OR TWO ARTICLES FOR PUBLICATION IN NY WORLD TELEGRAM, FIRST ONE TO APPEAR JANUARY TWENTYFOURTH INSTANT. FRANK INDICATED THAT ~~WONE~~^{THE} OF ARTICLES W¹ BE HIGHLY CRITICAL AND WOULD STRESS THAT RUSSIA IS ONLY COUNTRY CHARGING DUTY ON RELIEF PACKAGES TO ITS CITIZENS. ALSO TOLD AGENT MARCHESSAULT THAT HE WAS VERY INTERESTED TO LEARN THAT REYNOLDS, A U. S. ARMY OFFICER, WAS PRESIDENT OF U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORP. FURTHER THAT HE FELT IMPOSITION OF EXCESSIVE CUSTOMS DUTIES BY RUSSIA, WITH COLLECTION THEREOF, APPARENTLY MADE BY U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORP. ON BEHALF OF USSR, REQUIRES IN HIS OPINION THAT LATTER CORPORATION BE REGISTERED AS AGENT OF FOREIGN PRINCIPAL. IT IS BELIEVED THAT SINCE FRANK HAS INTERVIEWED BOTH BERDANSKY AND INFORMANT GREGORY THAT

BOTH OF THEIR NAMES WILL APPEAR IN THE ARTICLES PUBLISHED BY FRANK.

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TO C. S. BANNERMAN OF THE LAW FIRM OF CLARK, CARR AND ELLIS, WHO
HANDLE LEGAL MATTERS FOR U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORP. AND INFORMED
HIM OF THE CONTEMPLATED EXPOSE OF BOTH WORLD TOURISTS AND U. S. SERVICE
AND SHIPPING. BANNERMAN ADVISED GREGORY THAT NOTHING COULD BE DONE TO
PREVENT NEWSPAPER REPRESENTATIVES FROM INTERROGATING HERSELF OR PERSON
IN THE WORLD TOURISTS INC. OR PUBLISHING ANY ARTICLES ABOUT THE BUSINESS
OF THESE FIRMS. *Jfu* AT TIME SHE ADVISED AGENTS LAST EVENING OF THE CONVER-
SATION WITH FRANK INFORMANT DID NOT SEEM PARTICULARLY PERTURBED ABOUT
THE CONTEMPLATED PUBLICITY. *f*

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*cc: Mr. Ladd
Mr. White*

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January 25, 1946

SAC, New York

John Edgar Hoover - Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation

NATHAN GRUNDMAN SILVERMASTER, was, et al
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There are enclosed herewith copies of a summary of material,
dated December 14, 1945, contained in the files of the Bureau concerning
Albert Eugene Kahn.

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Introduction

Elizabeth Terrill Bentley stated that in January of 1942 she was taken by Golos to the home of Albert Kahn on East 9th Street, New York City. She said that she had heard his name previously and she learned that he was a dues paying member of the Communist Political Association, and on a couple of occasions she collected his Party dues from him, although he was working with the Jewish Political Bureau of the Party in New York. She further stated that Kahn began to supply Golos personally and also took her copies of "The Hour" and miscellaneous information taken from the files of the Anti-Defamation League, as well as information concerning the Ukrainian nationalist movement. This latter data interested Golos the most but Kahn was not regarded by Golos as a particularly valuable adjunct to his group. Her association with Kahn terminated in the Spring of 1943, at which time Kahn began to devote himself almost exclusively to writing books.

Background

Albert Eugene Kahn was born May 11, 1912 in London, England. His education consisted of four years high school, three summer sessions at Culver Military Academy and four years at Dartmouth College, from which he graduated in 1934. There is no available record of his entry into the United States, but it may have been sometime prior to the birth of his youngest sister Paulette about 1914.

The subject claims citizenship by derivation from his father, Moritz Kahn, who in turn had obtained citizenship by derivation from Albert's grandfather, Joseph Kahn, who was naturalized December 20, 1899 in the District Court in Jacksonville, Florida. When Moritz Kahn filed application for derivative citizenship in Detroit on April 6, 1933, he stated that he had resided permanently in the United States since 1881 and that his address at that time was 250 East Boston Street, Detroit, Michigan.

The Selective Service records of Albert E. Kahn at Board No. 17, 45 Astor Place, New York City, list his relatives as follows:

- Father - Moritz Kahn, born December 2, 1879 at Echternicht, Luxembourg, now deceased.
- Mother - Edith Jackson Kahn, 1611 Lincolnshire Avenue, Detroit. She married Mr. Kahn in Brooklyn on September 16, 1906.
- Sister - Beatrice (Betty) Valone Kahn, born November 12, 1910.
- Sister - Lydia Ruth Levin, born June 5, 1907, residing 1470 Edgemoor Avenue, Detroit.
- Sister - Paulette Hartrich, now about thirty-one years old, address 4715 South Greenwood, Chicago, Illinois.

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Wife - Harriet Warner Kahn, married November 16, 1934 at Detroit, Michigan. **CONFIDENTIAL**

Children - Steven James Kahn, born March 24, 1941. They expected the birth of another child in February of 1944.

~~_____~~ the parents of Albert Kahn spent considerable time in Russia during the five-year plan. His mother was a sponsor of the Russian War Relief in Detroit in 1942 and a member of the Financial Committee of the National Council of American-Soviet Friendship.

In the subject's Selective Service Occupational Questionnaire he stated that since 1931 he has been an editor and author. From 1935 to 1938 he was the purchasing agent for Lady Esther Cosmetic Company, Chicago, Illinois. From 1938 to 1939 he was the publicity director for his Uncle's company, Albert Kahn, Inc., this being an architectural engineering company. From 1939 to 1940 he was the Executive Secretary of the American Council Against Nazi Propaganda. In April of 1939 this organization began the publication of "The Hour", of which the subject became the editor when The Hour Publishing Company was organized on January 13, 1941. He continued in this capacity until May 20, 1943, when publication of "The Hour" was suspended. In 1940 he also assisted in publicity work for the Anti-Defamation League. About the same time Kahn was placed on the Board of New Currents Magazine. This was a Jewish publication which followed the Communist Party line and was sponsored by the American Committee of Jewish Writers, Artists and Scientists. The first issue appeared in March, 1943. It is interesting to note that according to Elizabeth Bentley, it was about this same time that her association with Kahn was terminated.

In his Selective Service Occupational Certificate filed October 12, 1944, Kahn stated that he was self-employed. He described his work as follows: "Author and journalist; concluding book for Little, Brown and Company; regular contributor to Scope Magazine, New Currents, etc. Articles and books which deal almost entirely with 'exposing Fifth Column and un-American activities.'" In 1944 he became national President of the Jewish People's Fraternal Order, I.W.O.

According to the Credit Bureau of Greater New York, Kahn carried a very good account in 1942 at the National Lumberman's Bank, Muskegon, Michigan, where he had done business for several years.

He is known to have resided at the following places:

2, 1942
1939 to October 1940, 25 East 11th Street, New York City, Apartment No. 4
1940 to 1942, 14 East 9th Street, New York City
1942 to date, White Hill Road, Forestown Heights, New York (about 45 miles from New York City)

He is presently employed as a lecturer
It is noted that in 1938 he voted at Royal Oak, Michigan.

and is president of the Jewish People's Fraternal Order, N.Y. City.

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activities
Communist Party ~~Member~~

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The subject delivered a speech at the New York State Convention of the Communist Political Association held on July 21 and 22, 1945, at which time he was introduced as a delegate from the Cultural Section. He was made a member of the Constitutional Committee of the Convention.

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Kahn stated at the Convention that the Communist Party must "execute Bolshevik diligence" to purge its ranks of all dangerous elements who have entered the Communist movement in the recent period.

new York, which is a Communist-dominated institution
In a special circular distributed by the Jefferson School of Social Science, it was announced that a summer camp would be held from June 16 to September 10, 1944, and that Albert E. Kahn would be one of the lecturers. The catalogue for the fall term of this school listed Kahn as a lecturer on history and problems of the Jewish people.

Kahn
In April of 1944, he was a candidate from the Second Assembly District of Westchester County as a delegate to the State Convention of the American Labor Party, representing the Committee for a United Labor Party.

communist activities
Kahn is considered to be a key figure in the New York Field Division. *"Smear" Campaign*
Alleged Soviet Propaganda Agent
Silberman Case connection

A letter furnished by Frederick Lyon of the State Department and written to one George Walker, 27th Floor, 2 Park Avenue from Casimir P. Palmer stated in part:

"First of all, Kahn's personal friend and collaborator David Karr told me that Kahn is a paid propagandist and that his employers are Soviet officials in charge of propaganda in the United States."

It should be noted, however, that Palmer is considered unreliable by the New York Office.

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According to additional information furnished by Mr. Lyon, Mr. Palmer told J. Franklin Carter that he had done some translating work for Kahn, who wanted some sabotage information from him that he didn't get. Kahn allegedly told Palmer that he was an agent for an important European country but that he would not name the country. Palmer accused Kahn of being a Soviet agent and Kahn's reply was, "I know who told you. It was the dirty double-crosser." Palmer stated that the most significant thing to him about this was that Kahn did not deny that he was an agent for Russia. b2 b7D

_____ stated on May 3, 1943, that David Carr (Karr) has an apartment in Washington where there are meetings occasionally attended by Kahn and others, one of them being Deerlow (phonetic). b2 b7D

Kahn has collaborated in many of his writings, including the well-known book "Sabotage," with Michael Sayers, also known as Michael Sayres. In reference to the latter individual, New _____ advised that he had learned from Sayers' wife that Sayers was a member of the Communist Party and was sent to this country from Ireland by the Communists. He was involved in the Dublin bombings and was said to be in the pay of the Communist Party, according to this informant. b2 b7D

refer _____ The New Haven Office suggested that this might be David Hedley, an alleged propaganda agent at that time in Connecticut for the Third International whose wife, Dr. Lena Halpern, formerly taught at Yale University. The Sayers presently reside next door to Kahn on White Hill Road, Yorktown Heights, New York. b2 b7D

According to _____, Kahn applied for a police card from the New York Police Department some time prior to March 21, 1941. In his application he stated that in his capacity as editor of "The Hour" he needed the police card in his investigations of subversive activities. This application was rejected. However, according to the informant, a police card was held by David Karr, who at one time was an assistant to Kahn, an alleged Party member and formerly a reporter for the Daily Worker.

On August 3, 1942, this same informant advised that Kahn had admitted to him that one Sol Rabkin, a special inspector with the Immigration and Naturalization Service in New York was furnishing him with information from the files of I. & N.S. It is noted that Rabkin subsequently denied having furnished information from Government files to any newspaper source, and he added that the only newspaperman he knew was Albert E. Kahn.

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It is said that Kahn obtained much of his information from one W. J. Stepankowsky, also known as Volodimir Stepankiwsky, and one Stephen Mustowy.

Journalistic Activities

"The Hour" which Kahn edited was a confidential news weekly which was furnished to all newspapers, editors and radio stations, submitting information regarding alleged Nazi and Fascist subversive activities. Its stated purposes were to publish a confidential news bulletin with the aim of (1.) exposing activities of anti-democratic groups and (2.) publishing material of practical value in fighting such groups. The publication was regarded as being a Communist instrumentality, its principal function being to plant in places of influence, stories that discredit opponents of the Communist movement.

New Currents is a Jewish monthly magazine which follows the Communist Party line and was formerly known as the Jewish Survey. It first appeared in March, 1943, and its editors besides Kahn were Joseph Brainin and Professor Frederick Ewen.

1470 Kahn was engaged in raising money for the magazine "Protestant", edited by Kenneth Leslie. This publication is said to follow the Communist Party line also.

In 1942 the subject and the aforementioned Michael Sayers collaborated in writing a book entitled "Sabotage - The Secret War Against America" which succeeded in gaining considerable notoriety for the authors. This book has been described as a scare story which might give the reader an idea that America was literally seething with saboteurs and spies. It is interesting to note that the authors were unable to substantiate some of the allegations and accusations in this book and their royalties were accordingly withheld by the publishing company due to the threat of libel suits being filed against them, and they were forced to make several retractions.

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Kahn

In late 1943 the subject wrote a book entitled "Sabotage in Russia," which was published by Little, Brown and Company. In August of 1945 Sayers and Kahn collaborated in a book entitled "Plot Against the Peace." According to the Daily Worker, this book exposes the German master plan for world domination after the Third World War. It is understood that Little, Brown and Company will publish another book by these two authors on January 3, 1946, called "The Great Conspiracy." It is said that the purpose of this book is to prove that there has been a great conspiracy throughout the world for the past twenty years against the Soviet Union.

Feb. 4, 1946

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"Great Conspiracy"
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propaganda*
Magazine articles
The subject has also written a large number of articles, including "The Enemy Within," which appeared in New Masses on December 6, 1942; "I Accuse Martin Dies," which was an attempt to discredit the Dies Committee and appeared in Scope Magazine in July, 1944; a series of articles entitled "Dangerous Americans," which appeared in Scope Magazine; "Odyssey of a New Leader Hero," attacking Henry Miller of the New Leader, which appeared in the Daily Worker on January 15, 1945; and "Women of the U.S.A. and the U.S.S.R.," which appeared in the Fraternal Outlook in January 1945, this being the official organ of the I.W.O. It is also said that he wrote articles against the Organization for the Rebirth of the Ukraine, branding it as an anti-semitic and pro-Nazi organization. Kahn has also delivered a large number of bitter and vitriolic anti-Fascist and anti-Nazi speeches before various Communist front organizations and other Left Wing groups, among them being a speech in New York before a Jewish rally for American-Soviet amity in the first part of April 1943.

Speeches

In the summer of 1943 he appeared on a radio program known as "Author Meets Critic" in which he bitterly criticized Kurt Singer's book "Spies and Traitors of World War II," mainly because of a statement in the book to the effect that the murder of Leon Trotsky in Mexico was prompted by OGPU agents. On September 12, 1943, he was the main speaker at the Michigan State Convention of the Civil Rights Federation in Detroit. On January 19, 1944, he spoke at a meeting of the New York civic, social and educational groups called by the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties during the time of the anti-Semitic outbreaks in New York. On January 22, 1944, he spoke at a conference of the American Committee of Jewish Writers, Artists and Scientists. He was listed as one of the speakers for the Institution on Race Relations, being sponsored by the Civil Rights Federation of Detroit from February 28 to April 3, 1944. On April 2, 1944, he spoke at a dinner for racial and national unity in New York City, sponsored by the National Federation for Constitutional Liberties. On June 14, 1944, he spoke at the Uncensored Freedom Dinner which was sponsored by the Protestant Magazine. In this speech he attacked Charles Lindbergh, Father Coughlin, Henry Ford and other alleged Nazi sympathizers. On July 22, 1944, he spoke at the People's Congress of Applied Religion, sponsored by the People's Institute of Applied Religion, which organization is said to be attempting to gain political control over the poor white class and the colored people through religion.

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On October 16, 1944, he spoke at the "Salute to Young America Dinner" sponsored by the American Youth for Democracy in New York. At the conclusion of this speech he asked for contributions and reportedly obtained \$7,075.00 in pledges. On October 18, 1944, he spoke at a meeting of the International Workers Order in Detroit. On November 25, 1944, he delivered a speech, entitled "The Deeds for Humanity of the Soviet Union," at a National Conference of the American Committee for the Settlement of Jews at Birobidjan, Soviet Russia. At the conclusion of this speech he called for contributions and allegedly received \$40,000.00 in cash. In the latter part of 1944 he was one of the principal speakers at a conference called by the National Council for Soviet Friendship. On February 14, 1945, he acted as chairman of a dinner sponsored by the American Committee of Jewish Writers, Artists and Scientists in New York, which dealt with the project of "The Jewish Black Book." On April 21, 1945, he spoke at the People's Institution of Applied Religion in New York City. On April 15, 1945, he appeared on the New York Newspaper Guild radio program with Earl Browder, Herbert Bayard Swope, Jerome Walker of Editor and Publisher and James Whittaker, the Guild Vice President. On May 26, 1945, he spoke on the subject of "Anti-Semitism Is Anti-Sovietism's Shadow" at the rally of the Jewish People's Fraternal Order in Madison Square Garden. On October 7, 1945, he spoke at the Conference of the School of Jewish Studies. The large majority of the leaders of this group are said to be Communist or Communist sympathizers. On October 12, 1945, he was a speaker before a meeting sponsored by New Masses in New York City. It is noted that on July 8, 1943, he acted as translator from Yiddish to English of speeches made by Professor Solomon Michoels and Lieutenant Itzik Feffer, who were members of a Soviet Jewish delegation to the United States. This was a mass meeting in their honor in New York sponsored by the Committee of Jewish Writers, Artists and Scientists.

Contacts

The following individuals have been identified as contacts or friends of the subject:

Joseph Brainin, who was on the Board of Directors of "New Currents" Magazine with the subject and is an associate editor of "The Protestant", another Party line publication. He is registered with the Secretary of State as an agent of a foreign principal.

Howard Fast, who is an editor for the New Currents magazine and also associated with Readers Scope and said to be a Communist.

Leverett S. Gleason, who published "Inside Russia" and the "Truth About the Red Army." It is noted that he is associated with Readers Scope Magazine and he is known to be in frequent contact with Alexander Trachtenberg. He is the subject of a key figure investigation in the New York Field Division.

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Mrs. John J. Abt, also known as Jessica Smith, who was the editor of Soviet Russia Today and a prominent Communist functionary.

~~William E. Dodd, Jr., who has been very active in numerous Communist front organizations and who was the subject of a Hatch Act investigation.~~

David Niles, who ^{was} employed in the executive offices of the President at the White House.

Cecil Lubell, who is listed as a member of the Communist Party in New York and who was once associated with "The Hour." At the present time he resides next door to Kahn in the home of Michael Sayers. Before moving to New York City he was active as secretary and organizer of the Communist Party in Sunnyside, Long Island. *M.E. Gilford formerly of the press relations section of the Dept. of Justice.*

Dr. Albert Parry, a former employee of O.S.S. who has been prominent in the Comrap investigation. *Charles Rall - American Legion contact - Yorktown Heights*

Allan Johnson, who was the Organizational Secretary of the Communist Party for District No. 7 in the State of Michigan. *(W.C.)*

Jack Raskin, the Executive Secretary of the Civil Rights Federation in Detroit, who has been in constant contact with outstanding Communists in the Detroit area. *(Raskin on Civil Rights Federation Detroit Mich.)*

Gilbert Green, who was the President of the Communist Political Association for the State of New York and a National Vice President. *[Redacted]*

Alexander Bittelman of the "Morning Freiheit," who has been described as being the outstanding Marxist dialectician in the United States and ~~the~~ subject in the Comrap case. *(Raskin on Eva Kolbin)*

William Haskell Levitt, who is the Educational Director of the United Automobile Workers - C.I.O. in Detroit and a key figure in the Detroit Field Division.

Harry Bridges, who accompanied the subject from New York to Washington on November 29, 1944, and returned to New York together with him on the following day, after having attended a Party together given by Major Ruth Gershon nee Spivak, who was then employed in the Pentagon Building with the Twentieth Air Force. She is not known to be related to John Spivak who was connected with this case, but many of her friends are said to be members of the Communist Party or active in Communist controlled organizations. *(Dine Committee records 1/30/45)*

Betty Jacqueline Bridges, a daughter of Harry Bridges, who was once employed by Albert Kahn in New York. *[Redacted]*

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Philip Jacob Jaffe, whom the subject telephoned on May 11, 1945, for the purpose of obtaining any information that Jaffee might have in his files on Upton Close. Subject was writing an article on Close at the time.

Front Organizations

Jewish People's Fraternal Order - I.W.O., of which the subject is President. The membership in this organization in 1944 was said to be in excess of 44,000. (Jan. 1945 issue of the "Fraternal Outlook" official organ of the organization)

People's Radio Foundation, Inc., the purpose of which organization is to coordinate the organization of various community groups where FM Radio Stations may be established. The large majority of the sponsors and the Board of Directors of this organization are key figures in the New York Field Division and the subject was listed as a member of the Preliminary Board of Directors of this group. *Highly Confidential Source.*

The Newspaper Guild of New York, in which the subject has been active. *b2 b7D*

The National Committee to Combat Anti-Semitism, of which the subject was a sponsor. *Letter head of said organization dated Sept. 22, 1945.*

The Joint Anti-Fascist Refugee Committee. *Franklin J. Bowman, Deputy Sheriff, Westchester Co. N.Y.*
~~National Council of American-Soviet Friendship, Inc.~~ The subject was listed as a sponsor of the ~~New York City~~ *New York City* ~~chapter~~ *Dissemination Committee* *R. 100*

The American Committee for Spanish Freedom, of which the subject was a sponsor. *(Letter head of this Committee.)*

Industrial Insurance Agents Union, Local No. 30, United Office and Professional Workers of America - C.I.O., of which the subject is a member of the Executive Board.

American Youth for Democracy. Listed as one of the sponsors in the May 1944 issue of the "Spotlight", the official publication of this organization.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : D. M. Ladd

FROM : L. Whitson

SUBJECT: GREGORY SILVERMASTER, was, et al
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Mr. Nichols _____
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Office Memorandum

UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : S. A. Tamm

DATE: December

FROM : D. M. Ladd

Call: 12:37 pm

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At the above time, ASAC Donegan, New York Field Division, called regarding the captioned case. He stated that in regard to the problem presented by the following of a Washington Field agent while the agent was following subject Gregg in this case, the answer might be a "double tail" but if the individual cannot be identified, Mr. Donegan asked if an agent could attempt to definitely identify this person under the pretense of checking on Selective Service status.

I advised I believed this was the only thing to do is to keep the surveillance on them, take the persons surveilled to where they are going, and then plant that place to find out who they are.

Mr. Donegan then stated that subject Bentley was very reluctant to sign her statement. Bentley is of the opinion that her statement is all that is needed to put the subjects in jail. He stated that in this connection, the fact that Gromov is returning to Russia must be considered, Mr. Donegan stated it has been indicated Gromov is not returning to the United States.

I stated in this regard we should send material to the State Department calling their attention to Gromov's departure, and then let State take steps to either stop Gromov's leaving or delay the visa, or hold clearance on air transportation, since this probably will enter into the Congressional investigation of the State Department.

Mr. Donegan advised that he is dispensing with daily reports from the agents out of town working on this case. I advised Mr. Donegan there is no reason for having these daily reports and we do not want them here.

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SATION WITH ONE DENZIL, PHONETIC, MENTIONED THAT THE PARKS HAD ARRIVED
IN CAIRO AND THAT THE ETHIOPIAN DELEGATION WAS SMALL. IT IS BELEIVED
THAT THEY WERE REFERRING TO WILLARD Z. ~~X~~PARK AND HIS WIFE. CONFIDENTIAL
SOURCE ADVISED THAT ON JAN. THIRTEEN MRS. MAGDOFF, WIFE OF HARRY ~~X~~MAGDOFF
CONTACTED ONE ~~X~~TED, LAST NAME UNKNOWN, AND ADVISED THAT HARRY MAGDOFF
PREPARING A PAPER FOR AN ECONOMIC SOCIETY CONFERENCE TO BE HELD IN
CLEVELAND OHIO IN NEAR FUTHRE. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED THAT ~~REDACTED~~
BERNARD ~~X~~REDMONT, ON ~~REDACTED~~ JAN. FOURTEENTH, RESIGNED HIS POSITION WITH
THE GOVT. SIGNING RESIGNATION PAPERS, BUT IT IS NOT CERTAIN ~~REDACTED~~
LEAVE HIS POSITION. ~~REDACTED~~ CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED THAT WILLIAM WALTER
REMINGTON RETURNED TO WASHINGTON EVENING OF JAN. FOURTEENTH. REFER
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HELD AT APARTMENT OF GEORGE ~~X~~SILVERMAN WHERE JOE ~~X~~GOULD AND OND ~~X~~CHRIS
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ACADEMY STREET, NEWARK DELEWARE. DRIVER OF THIS CAR SURVEILLED TO
THIRTYSIX HUNDRED ~~REDACTED~~ BLOCK THIRTYFOURTH ST. N. W. WHERE PARKED IN FRONT
OF THREE SIX NAUGHT SEVEN THIRTYFOURTH STREET. ~~REDACTED~~ BELIEVED
GOLD ENTERED THIS ADDRESS. MRS. HELEN ~~REDACTED~~ SILVERMASTER, ACCORDING TO
INFORMANT RECEIVED INVITATION FROM WASHINGTON COMMITTEE FOR RUSSIAN
RELIEF TO ATTEND A DINNER AT MAYFLOWER HOTEL ON FEB. FOUR NEXT. DINNER
BE IN HONOR OF MRS. HARRIMAN, WIFE OF U. S. AMBASSADOR TO MOSCOW. U.
S. PASSPORT ISSUED TODAY TO WILLIAM LUDWIG ~~REDACTED~~ ULLMANN PERMITTING HIM
TO TRAVEL TO GERMANY FOR TREASURY AND WAR DEPARTMENTS. APPLICATION ~~REDACTED~~
~~REDACTED~~ STATED THAT ULLMANN HAD BEEN MADE AVAILABLE TO THE WAR DEPT. BY
TREASURY DEPT. TO TRAVEL TO GERMANY FOR THE PURPOSE OF COORDINATION
THE WORK OF THE WAR AND TREASURY CONCERNING GERMAN FINANCIAL MISSION.
DATE OF DEPARTURE NOT KNOWN. CONFIDENTIAL SOURCE ADVISED THAT THE
ARMY WILL ATTEMPT TO HAVE ULLMANN DEPART THURSDAY.

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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

JDD:MEH

DATE: January 24, 1946

TO : Mr. E. A. Tamm

FROM : Mr. A. Rosen

SUBJECT: LETTERS OF JUSTIFICATION
TECHNICAL AND MICROPHONE SURVEILLANCES
N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER

Mr. Tolson
Mr. E. A. Tamm
Mr. Clegg
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Mr. Quinn
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Mr. N.
Miss Gandy

John Strickland

CTH

You will recall that under date of December 21, 1945, a memorandum was prepared recommending that in view of the nature of the Silvermaster case letters of justification be not required for the surveillances installed in connection with this matter. The reason for dispensing of this requirement was that each surveillance is being given particular attention and its productivity carefully determined. The Washington Division submits summaries of the information received by means of the surveillances and the dispensation applies only to the required letters of justification from the surveillances maintained by the New York Division in this case. You approved this procedure for thirty days.

Recommendation:

It is suggested that since this case is still being given very careful attention, that the required letters of justification from New York be dispensed with and the summaries submitted by the Washington Division suffice for the justification of the continuance of the surveillances in Washington.

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Re: N. GREGORY SILVERMASTER,
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Dear Sir:

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In connection with the investigation of this case, a technical surveillance has been maintained on the telephone of the informant located at the U. S. Service and Shipping Corporation at 212 Fifth Avenue as Confidential Informant [redacted]. Through the medium of this informant, GREGORY'S day-to-day activities have been ascertained, and on January 22, 1946, this informant advised that Informant GREGORY had been in contact with C. R. Bannerman of the law firm of Clark, Carr and Ellis, indicating that a representative of the World-Telegram had been to her office and asked her numerous questions about the business, indicating that he was writing an expose of the U. S. Service and Shipping Corporation.

Because of the assistance Informant [redacted] is rendering in the investigation of this case, it is suggested that the services of this informant be continued.

Very truly yours,

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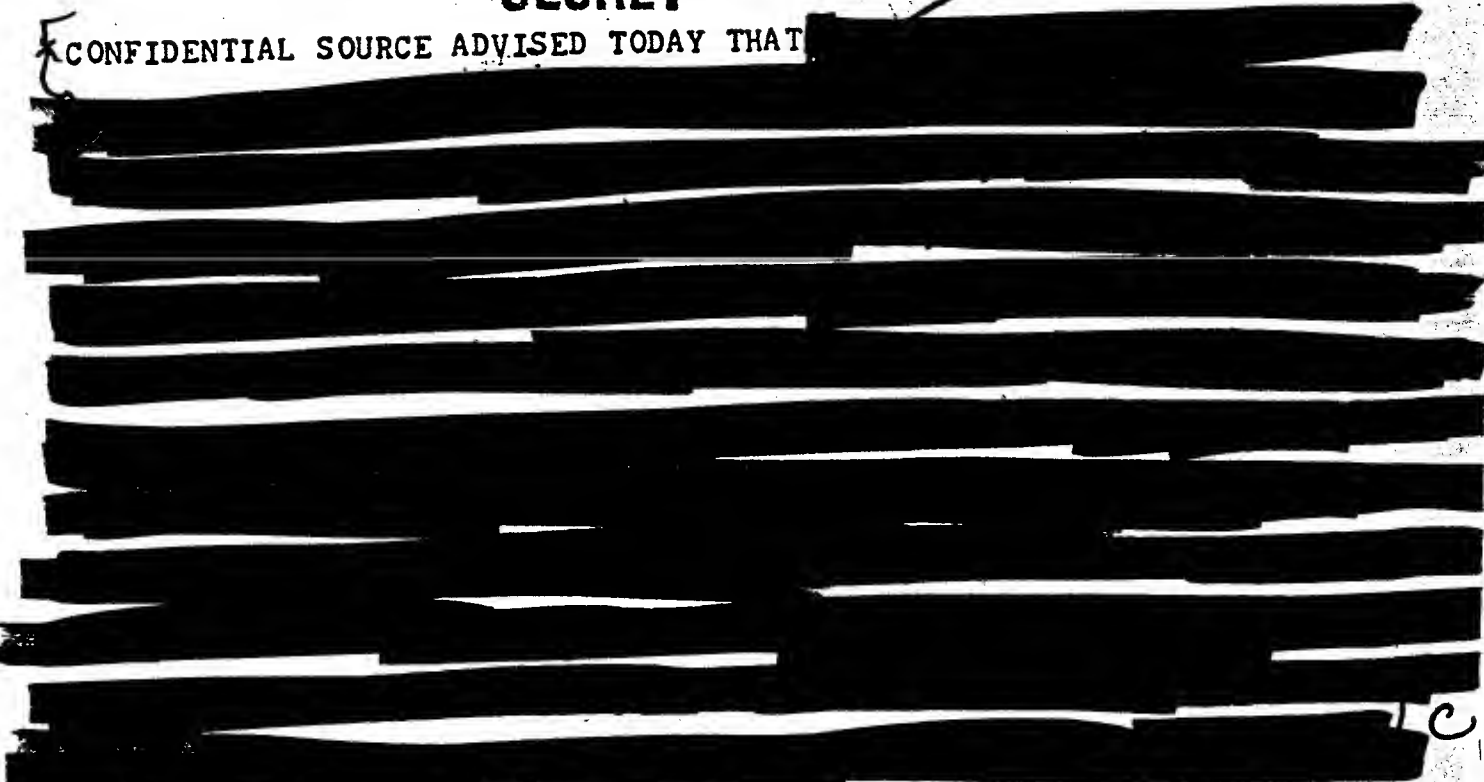
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At 1:10 pm today, ASAC Henrich called from the Washington Division to relate that George Silverman, one of the subjects in this case received a telephone call at 1:00 am today from one Gerry Auerbach of Pinehurst, North Carolina. Auerbach stated to Silverman that he, Auerbach, was coming to Washington, D. C. with Bill Gurney (phonetic) and wanted to see Silverman. Auerbach also stated, "Mary Jane is with me and it is strictly business."

Auerbach requested Silverman to obtain three hotel rooms in Washington to be ready for occupancy at 6:00 pm today. Auerbach indicated that they were coming to Washington via automobile.

Mr. Henrich said it had been learned that Silverman had obtained reservations for three hotel rooms at the Washington Hotel, rooms 115, 116, and an unnumbered room adjoining 116. There is a telephone in each of the three rooms and the apparent significance of this meeting between Silverman and Auerbach, et al, as well as the importance of the case indicated the necessity of installing telephone microphones for technical coverage of this meeting. Mr. Henrich therefore wanted permission to have the telephone microphones installed.

After discussing this matter with you, I telephonically advised Mr. Henrich in accordance with your instruction, that the desired installations could be accomplished with complete safety.

Mr. Henrich stated that the installations would be made by FBI Laboratory technicians, including Mr. R. F. Pfaffman and one other technician.

Action to be taken:

Any additional action to be taken in connection with this matter is being left to the discretion of yourself and the case supervisor.

ADDENDUM:

At 9:08 a.m., December 3, 1945, ASAC Henrich, Washington Field, called to advise that Ohrbach (or Auerbach) did not stay at the Washington Hotel but went to the Hay Adams House. Mr. Henrich stated they had a technical set up at the Washington Hotel but Ohrbach called Silvermaster and told him to cancel the reservation at the Washington Hotel. Mr. Henrich stated they could not get on Ohrbach at the Hay Adams House. The telephones were left at the Washington Hotel in the event someone else stays there but they can be removed at any time. Mr. Henrich advised that he believed Ohrbach is an official with the Ohrbach Department Store in New York City and is listed in the New York indices on the membership list of the League of American Writers. Ohrbach had a woman with him and his remark as to "Mary Jane is with me and it is strictly business" may be in connection with illegitimate woman. The agents are surveilling him and they will keep us advised.

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SYNOPSIS OF FACTS: <p>Additional background of JACOB GOLDS reported. RAY ELSON has stated to GREGORY that she has disassociated herself from her Russian contacts and no longer desires to be active with them. Informant believes this is untrue. OLGA BORISOVNA PRAVDINA, AMTORG employee, NYC, and wife of VLADIMIR SERGEEVICH PRAVDIN, TASS NEWS AGENCY, tentatively identified by GREGORY as MARGARET GREGORY's financial status reported. RAY ELSON employment, background, physical surveillance and confidential informant coverage reported. ELSON still employed at NFCL. BERRIE STAVIS, contact of RAY ELSON, is a playwright, recently discharged from U. S. Army. Background of FRED CARD KACH and CLIFTON READ and activities of PETER C. RHODES reported. ALEXANDER KORAL engaged in business activities. Biographical data on GILBERT and RICHARD KORAL secured. Dr. A. B. WEINSTEIN, NYC dentist, knows PETER C. and LONE RHODES. On 1/3/46 WEINSTEIN's secretary attempted to reach JOSEPH GREGG through RHODES' residence, purpose unknown. WEINSTEIN and wife visited Mr. and Mrs. LEON JOSEPHSON on 12/28/45. WEINSTEIN is contacted by a number of known Communists. Investigation to locate CATHERINE reported. Mrs. MARTHA WEINSTEIN, 41 Bank Street, NYC, bears general similarity to CATHERINE. LAUCHLIN CURRIE's activities mainly business during past week. He departs for Europe via Spain on 1/14/46. BENJAMIN GOLD's arrival in NYC 12/7, and activities of GEORGE SILVERMAN on arrival NYC 12/29, reported. GOLD and SILVERMAN returned to Washington, D. C. JACK W. FIELD, contact of WILLIAM LUDWIG ULLMAN, is a former Army civilian employee at Pentagon Building, and is now in printing business in NYC. Financial information on U. S. SERVICE & SHIPPING CORPORATION and WORLD TOURISTS, INC. set forth. LEON HELFAND, a former Soviet diplomat, mentioned in GREGORY's statement, is now in trading and shipping business in NYC. HELEN TENNEY spent Christmas holiday in NYC and has returned to Washington, D. C. MARY WOLF PRICE visited sisters BRANSON and MILDRED in NYC at Christmas holidays and has returned to Washington. FERRUCCIO MARINI occupies himself principally with the affairs of "L'UNITA DEL POPOLO".</p>			DECLASSIFIED BY SP-1
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The following information is being reported by Special Agents THOMAS G. SPENCER and JOSEPH M. KELLY and concerns interviews had with Confidential Informant GREGORY from December 21, 1945 to January 3, 1946.

As has previously been reported, Informant GREGORY advised that when she first knew GOLOS he was residing at the home of CAROLINE KLEIN, 106 West 13th Street, New York City. It has also been reported that CAROLINE KLEIN did not know of the actual activities that GOLOS was engaged in during the time he was residing with her, but as a matter of fact believed that GOLOS was connected with the Communist Party and that he was actively engaged in Communist Party activities in New York City. Informant GREGORY advised that subsequent to GOLOS' death CAROLINE KLEIN had attempted to contact her on numerous occasions and as a matter of fact she saw her a few times after GOLOS' death but gradually disassociated herself with this individual. She remarked that it was quite apparent that CAROLINE KLEIN was in love with GOLOS and on the occasions of her conversations with CAROLINE, this woman's remarks were concerned with her admiration for GOLOS. GREGORY stated that about a week ago she had received a telephone call from CAROLINE KLEIN who indicated she was desirous of seeing informant. On December 19, 1945 CAROLINE KLEIN appeared at the offices of the U.S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION, spoke with GREGORY, and later GREGORY took her to lunch. The informant had a rather long conversation with CAROLINE KLEIN and as a result obtained some information concerning GOLOS' background which she had previously not been aware of, and also obtained other information concerning GOLOS, WORLD TOURISTS, INC., and GOLOS' wife, which informant stated probably would be of some value to this investigation.

According to the informant, she learned from KLEIN that in 1916 and 1917 GOLOS was sent to Siberia but after remaining there approximately one year he escaped and made his way to Japan. After spending about one year in Japan he was successful in getting to the United States. Shortly after his arrival in the United States he enrolled at Columbia University and studied medicine. While at this university he met a woman named CELIA, whose last name neither informant nor MRS. KLEIN ever knew, but with whom he subsequently lived for a long period of time. A son, MILTON, was born to CELIA and JACOB GOLOS and either in 1936 or 1937 MILTON and his mother went to Russia, apparently departing from the Port of New York and using the names of CELIA GOLOS and MILTON GOLOS.

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It was further learned from the informant that in her recent conversation with CAROLINE KLEIN, the latter indicated that she is in contact at the present time with a sister of JACOB GOLOS named MRS. EDWARD EMMETT, whose exact address informant does not know, but who resides in the Bronx. The informant continued that MRS. KLEIN has learned that MRS. EMMETT, who is apparently in very moderate financial circumstances, has recently evinced great interest in attempting to locate and secure any assets which her late brother may have owned at the time of his death; it will be recalled that according to previous information supplied by informant, GOLOS died intestate. MRS. EMMETT has made intensive inquiry of SOL COHEN who handled some legal affairs for WORLD TOURISTS, INC. and of MRS. KLEIN in an effort to gain possession of any property left by GOLOS. It is informant's understanding at the present time that as a result of these efforts on the part of MRS. EMMETT inquiry has been made at the Russian Consulate in New York City, and that negotiations are presently being carried on by the Consulate and by their attorney, probably CHARLES RECHT, in an effort to have certain legal papers forwarded to CELIA and MILTON GOLOS in Russia so that they might affix their signature and allow MRS. EMMETT to take possession of this property left by GOLOS.

It appears that at the time of the latter's death he owned United States Government Bonds with a face value of \$3,000.00 registered to JACOB N. GOLOS as sole owner, and that in addition he was the owner of record of 30 shares of common stock in WORLD TOURISTS, INC., as well as a joint owner with one ARNOLD FINKELBERG of a Savings Account in the Bowery Savings Bank in New York City. The informant advised the agents that of her own knowledge she recalls having seen the Government Bonds above described, and further that the Certificate of Stock evidencing GOLOS' ownership of 30 shares in WORLD TOURISTS, INC. was in the company safe and further that at least until March 10 or 12, 1945 the stock was still in his name, and these shares were the only shares ever issued by WORLD TOURISTS, INC.

According to information given informant by MRS. KLEIN, MRS. EMMETT is presently in communication with CELIA GOLOS in Russia and has forwarded several food packages to her and her son there; it will be recalled that previous information reported in instant file indicated that MILTON GOLOS had served in the Red Army and had been wounded. It will be recalled that the existence of this alleged joint Savings Account owned by GOLOS and FINKELBERG has been verified and there has been no activity in the account from 1932 to date.

In respect to the corporate affairs of WORLD TOURISTS, INC. informant declared that immediately prior to March 15, 1944 there was considerable discussion among the various persons associated with the firm relative to filing of the Annual Corporation Tax Return. It was complicated because of the fact that GOLOS was the only stockholder and that no administration had

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been had of his estate. Involved in these discussions were SOL COHEN, previously mentioned; WILLIAM WEINER; and MORRIS GREENBERG, an accountant who had handled some fiscal matters for the concern; they tentatively decided to effect an antedated stock transfer which would result in making it appear on the corporation's stock book that ARNOLD FINKELBERG, rather than GOLOS, was the owner of all outstanding shares of WORLD TOURISTS, INC. They discussed this procedure with EARL BROWDER however, and after he advised them that in his opinion it would be "suicidal" they apparently abandoned the scheme and so far as informant knows, the stock is still in the name of GOLOS.

The informant volunteered the information that CAROLINE KLEIN is attempting to cultivate her friendship and through that means it is felt she will be able to keep currently apprised of the status of negotiations being carried on by MRS. EMMETT as well as to the possible return to this country of CELIA GOLOS, inasmuch as it is informant's opinion that such a move is possible.

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In a subsequent interview with the informant the photographs of [redacted] and [redacted] ALGER HISS were exhibited to her but she failed to identify any of these people. *61*

On December 22, 1945 informant left New York City to spend a holiday with her relatives at Kent, Connecticut and returned to New York City on December 26, 1945.

Informant in a subsequent interview advised that she met by pre-arrangement at Klube's Restaurant on 23rd Street, RAY ELSON and had lunch with her. Informant attempted to determine if RAY had recently seen her contact and ELSON informed her that the last time she saw her contact was at the time she attempted to arrange a meeting between informant and the latter's contact at Guffanti's Restaurant. It will be recalled, however, that this meeting did not materialize. ELSON continued, according to the informant, that on the occasion of this last meeting she had told her Russian contact definitely that she no longer desired to participate in any manner in further activities with him, inasmuch as her husband had returned from overseas duty with the United States Army and that she contemplated taking employment in the New York Office of the Federation for Constitutional Liberties. ELSON claimed she defined her position very clearly and does not expect to be contacted in the future by this Russian. She again pointed out in response to informant's inquiry that she could not make a contact even if she wished because her meetings had always been arranged by the other party and that the transactions were on a "one-way street". The informant attached some significance however to the curiosity

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which ELSON exhibited with respect to the present affairs of the U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORP. She asked numerous questions about the immediate future of the company and after informant gave her a general picture of the evident intentions of TED BAYER, ELSON was very emphatic in stating that under no circumstances in her opinion, should BAYER and his group be allowed to take control of the concern. Informant regarded this attitude as somewhat unusual inasmuch as ELSON had been employed by that firm for only a brief period of time and volunteered the opinion that unless ELSON had been instructed to ascertain everything she could about the company, she otherwise would not have been interested except in a very casual manner. It was informant's further idea that ELSON had probably been instructed to advise informant to resist the actions of BAYER so that the reputation of the concern would not be jeopardized by having a group of known Communists actively operating it, and the result would be, if they were kept out, that the way would be clear in the future for the Russians to install a person of their own choice in that office.

With respect to ELSON's declaration that she had broken off entirely from her Russian contact, informant was of the opinion that this statement was not true. She could not advance any specific reason for this opinion except that she said ELSON seemed to exhibit a certain tenseness in her conversations which had not previously been evident, and that she was not at all casual in her remarks.

On December 28, 1945 RAY ELSON appeared at the informant's office and delivered a Christmas gift to her and again on this occasion exhibited great curiosity, according to the informant, in the affairs of the company. Informant had declared several times that she does not believe ELSON's ostensible friendship for her is genuine and that actually she has some ulterior motive in seeing her on frequent occasions.

At the time of this interview GREGORY stated that she had received word from COLONEL REYNOLDS that TED BAYER was desirous of having a conference in connection with the affairs of the U.S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION and that due to the fact that COLONEL REYNOLDS was presently incapacitated due to a back injury, a tentative meeting was arranged at the home of COLONEL REYNOLDS for January 5, 1946. However, informant has stated that this meeting is definitely scheduled for the afternoon of January 6, 1946.

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The informant further stated that apparently COLONEL REYNOLDS has informed his wife, GRACE, of TED BAYER's desire to enter into the affairs of the U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORP. and to attempt to increase their business. It appears that MRS. REYNOLDS is not in favor of having TED BAYER become associated with the U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORP. in view of his Communist background and the possibility that it may lead to some undesirable publicity in the future in connection with her husband's activities with this corporation.

Special Agent MICHAEL M. O'ROURKE, who conducted some investigation and was on surveillances of SEMINOV, a suspected Russian agent, recalled that during the course of a surveillance of SEMINOV's residence at 46 West 95th Street, New York City, a large well-built Russian woman was observed leaving 46 West 95th Street, and proceeded to 210 Madison Avenue, the address of AMTORG. In a discussion of this with agents, it was believed that this woman might possibly be the unknown MARGARET in instant investigation. It was ascertained through ALFRED BASSETT, superintendent at 46 West 95th Street, that this woman was a MRS. PRAVDINA, a Russian employee at AMTORG, and recalled that this woman had a daughter about four years of age, whose name was probably VICTORIA. BASSETT described this woman as being well proportioned, liked to drink and carouse, and would on occasion come home "slightly under the weather". He also stated that her husband, VLADIMIR, was also employed at AMTORG.

Grace Reynolds

A check of the New York files disclosed that this woman is OLGA BORISOVNA PRAVDINA, an employee of AMTORG and that her husband is VLADIMIR SERGEEVICH PRAVDIN. VLADIMIR, according to the files of the New York Office, is presently head of the TASS NEWS AGENCY, New York City. The photograph of OLGA PRAVDINA was exhibited to informant GREGORY and she made a tentative identification of this woman as being identical with the MARGARET who contacted her on about five occasions during the time she was active in Russian espionage activities on behalf of GOLOS. It is to be noted that the available photograph of OLGA PRAVDINA is shaded on one portion of her face and it would probably be fairly difficult to make a positive identification from this particular photograph. The Washington Field Office has been requested by teletype to obtain all information available from PRAVDINA's PRI Form and supply same to this office. Efforts are being made to obtain a better photograph of this woman and to have informant GREGORY discreetly visually observe this woman in an attempt to definitely identify her.

The photograph of VLADIMIR PRAVDIN was also exhibited to her but she failed to identify this individual.

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Also exhibited to informant on this occasion was a photograph of CLAYMER SCHLUTER; she was able to make no identification whatsoever.

On January 4, 1946 informant GREGORY telephonically advised Special Agent KELLY that she had been giving further thought to the matter of identifying her former Russian contact JACK, and that she now recalled a conversation with him immediately after his recovery from an illness of approximately three weeks duration in the early Spring of 1945. In this conversation, according to the informant, JACK mentioned to her that "AL" was a wonderful fellow and a good friend because he had visited JACK almost daily during the latter's illness and had even squeezed oranges for him.

This item is probably of considerable significance inasmuch as it tends to corroborate information reported earlier that JACK probably maintained his headquarters in Washington and further it again demonstrates the extremely close association between GROMOV and JACK.

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Re: MARGARET

Informant GREGORY advised that MARGARET was introduced to her by JOHN in late 1941 or early 1942, and that she had five or six contacts with MARGARET over a four-month period but never delivered any material to her. Informant told MARGARET several times to tell CHARLIE to contact COLOS. In October of 1943 COLOS told the informant to meet MARGARET, who would introduce her to a new person to receive the SILVERMASTER group material. MARGARET then introduced the informant to CATHERINE.

In the latter part of 1943 and the early part of 1944, Special Agents M. M. O'Rourke and F. J. Nolan conducted an investigation on SEMION SEMENOV; ESPIONAGE - R. SEMENOV resided at 46 West 95th Street, and he was kept under surveillance for several months. Special Agent M. M. O'Rourke during the surveillance observed a large, well-built Russian woman leaving 46 West 95th Street and proceeding to 210 Madison Avenue (Antorg Building). Special Agent M. M. O'Rourke believed this Russian woman fitted the description of MARGARET as given by Informant GREGORY.

On January 2, 1946, ALFRED BASSANT, superintendent of 46 West 95th Street, was recontacted by Special Agents F. J. Nolan and M. M. O'Rourke. He advised that the Russian woman who formerly lived there was Mrs. PRAVDIN. BASSANT further advised that she had a daughter about four years of age whose name he believed was VICTORIA; that she moved to 120 Riverside Drive, Apartment 8C.

BASSANT continued that Mrs. PRAVDIN was a proportioned woman, liked to drink and dance, and would on occasion come home "slightly under the weather"; that her husband, VLADIMIR, also worked at Antorg. A check of the picture files in the New York Office disclosed a photograph of OLGA VORISOVA PRAVDINA and VLADIMIR SERGEEVICH PRAVDIN, who are Mr. and Mrs. PRAVDIN, formerly of 46 West 95th Street.

The following is a description of OLGA PRAVDIN obtained from the observations of Special Agents F. J. Nolan, J. P. Garvey, and M. M. O'Rourke, who formerly worked on the SEMENOV surveillance and had several times observed OLGA PRAVDIN leaving 46 West 95th Street and proceeding to the Antorg Building at 210 Madison Avenue, and information furnished by ALFRED BASSANT:

Age	35 to 40 years
Weight	180 to 200 lbs.
Height	5' 11"
Hair	Dark brown
Eyes	Dark brown
Build	Stocky, well built, well proportioned
Glasses	Rimmed; worn sometimes
Marital Status	Married to VLADIMIR SERGEEVICH PRAVDIN
Children	Daughter, four years old; name believed to be VICTORIA
Residence	46 West 95th Street, 1942 to 1945; 120 Riverside Drive, Apt. 8C

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Special Agents T. G. Spencer and J. W. Kelly showed a picture of OLGA BORISOVNA PRAVDINA to Informant GREGORY, and she made a tentative identification of PRAVDIN as HANJAKIT.

Investigation is continuing to ascertain if OLGA PRAVDIN presently resides at 120 Riverside Drive, to obtain a more recent picture to show to Informant GREGORY, and to obtain any information that may be pertinent to this investigation.

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CONFIDENTIALRe: ~~GREGORY~~

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (A) Carl L. Bennett on December 12 and 27, 1945:

Mr. HAROLD FRENCH, Assistant Manager of the Chase National Bank located at 204 Fifth Avenue, New York City, advised that GREGORY opened a savings account at this branch on January 24, 1944 with an original deposit of \$2,241.50. From an examination of the deposit ticket, it was noted that this deposit consisted of a check drawn on the Corn Exchange Bank and Trust Company. Further tracing of this check disclosed that it was drawn on the account of WORLD TOURISTS, INC. The savings account number is 19-558.

Subsequent to the original deposit, there were several semi-monthly deposits in the amount of \$174.98 each, which were evidently salary checks. The withdrawals from the account reflected small withdrawals which were evidently used for living expenses with the exception of three large withdrawals which were as follows:

August 22, 1944 - \$1,000;
October 31, 1944 - \$600;
May 22, 1945 - \$500.

The tracing of these funds disclosed that GREGORY opened a special checking account with the \$1,000 at this branch and the other two withdrawals were transfers to the special checking account. In addition to these transfers from the savings account to the special checking account, there were other transfers ranging from \$100 to \$200 each. It is apparent from the examination of the account that GREGORY was using the money in the savings account for current living expenses and the present balance of the savings account is \$464.05 as of December 12, 1945. The balance of the special checking account as of December 12, 1944 was \$79.69.

It is noted that GREGORY discontinued making deposits in the savings account of the salary check during April, 1945 and thereafter deposited the salary check in the special checking account. No unusual transactions were noted and most of the withdrawals were made to the St. George Hotel or Boxwood Manor, New Haven, Connecticut, which were hotel expenses. All withdrawals were for less than \$100 each and none were made to the accounts of individuals.

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No: MRS. RAY ELSON
161 West 16th Street
New York, New York

The following information regarding Mrs. RAY ELSON, with aliases, Mrs. JOSEPH ELSON and RAE SHUCHTER ELSON, 161 West 16th Street, New York, New York, is reported by Special Agent Howard Robert Martins. The additional alias of RAE SHUCHTER ELSON was obtained from a former employment record.

ABRAHAM LEMPERT, personnel manager, S. STEIN AND COMPANY, 23 East 26th Street, ascertained from their personnel records that RAY ELSON made application for employment with that company on December 1, 1933. Her application reflected that she had previously been employed as a legal stenographer by HOLLAND AND SHUCHTER, or SCHUCHTER, 160 North LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois, at a salary of \$20 per week. She was employed there from December, 1928 to December, 1930. Upon leaving this employment in Chicago, Illinois, RAY ELSON came to New York City. In New York, she was first employed by L. STEWART GALTER, 36 West 44th Street, as a stenographer at a salary of \$20 per week. The dates of this employment were not given but apparently was sometime between 1930 and 1933.

RAY ELSON's application for employment reflected that she was born on May 6, 1910 in Chicago, Illinois; that her nationality was American; and her religion Jewish. She graduated from elementary and high school in Chicago and for one and a half years attended De Paul University, Chicago, where she was a B plus student. RAY began employment with S. STEIN AND COMPANY on December 4, 1933 as a clerk in the credit department. She resigned from this position on March 4, 1938 and while there was paid a salary of \$23 per week. She gave as personal references the following:

M. F. LIPTON
220 East 18th Street
Brooklyn, New York

The above individual was an actuary with seven years experience in this line of work in 1933.

HERMAN SEFTERSTEIN
36 West 44th Street
New York, New York

The above individual was an attorney with one and a half years experience in 1933.

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The personnel records reflected a letter of reference dated December 6, 1933 from M. F. LIPTON, recommending RAY NELSON favorably as a possible employee. It was apparent from the employment records that RAY NELSON had also used the name of RAY BRUNTHOR NELSON in connection with Social Security payments. Her Social Security number is [REDACTED] b7C

Special Agent Frank X. O'Donnell ascertained from Confidential Informant [REDACTED] the toll calls made from RAY NELSON's home telephone, Watkins 9-8599 during the last six months in 1945. These calls are as follows with the identity of the subscribers: b2 b7D

<u>Date</u>	<u>Telephone Number Called</u>	<u>Subscriber</u>
7/25/45	Trenton, N.J. 4-1171	U. S. Government Navy Aircraft Delivery Unit, Ridgewood, Trenton, New Jersey. Additional listing - Mercer Steel, same address.
7/28/45	New Brunswick, N.J. 1719	Brooks of New Brunswick (Clothing) 337 George Street New Brunswick, New Jersey
9/13/45	Passaic, N.J. 2-6453	NETTY NEFDACK 53 Grove Street Passaic, New Jersey
10/13/45	Felham, N.Y. 8-3287W	JAMES D. HARDY 447 Esplanade Felham, New York

It was also ascertained that a Miss HARDY on July 25, 1945 telephoned Commander JAMES HARDY in the Minesweeping Division, Navy Department, Republic 7400, Washington, D. C. There was also a call on June 6, 1945 from a person known as MADLAN (Phonetic) to Sergeant MURRAY FIELD at Allegheny 7490, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. On October 11, 1945, a call was made to Mrs. DELLA DOBBINS, Apartment 10, Los Angeles, California, telephone number Mutual 0601. A call was made on October 26, 1945 to Sergeant NELSON at Fort Dix, New Jersey.

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PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE FROM
DECEMBER 25, 1945 to DECEM-
BER 31, 1945 INCLUSIVE

On December 25, 1945, RAY ELSON spent the entire day and evening at her home. She was observed in her apartment with her husband entertaining friends.

On December 26, 1945, she left her residence at 9:12 AM and proceeded by subway to the offices of the National Federation of Constitutional Liberties, Room 1613, 205 East 42nd Street. She spent the day at that address, where she is presently employed. At 5:40 PM, she left this address and walked west on 42nd Street to the Grand Central Arcade, stopping briefly in the Doubleday Doran Book Shop in this arcade. She also stopped briefly at the R. and H. Book Shop, 11 East 42nd Street. From there she proceeded by subway to her residence, where she entered at 6:10 PM. The lights were observed in the apartment during the evening and were turned out at 11:30 PM.

On December 27, 1945, at 9:20 AM, RAY left her residence and proceeded by subway to the offices of the National Federation of Constitutional Liberties, where she entered at 9:45 AM. She remained there throughout the day and at 5:35 PM, she reappeared and proceeded by subway to Union Square, where she entered the S. KLEIN DEPARTMENT STORE at 24-30 Union Square East. At 6:20 PM, she came out of this department store, walked south to 14th Street, where she boarded a bus. She traveled by bus to the intersection of West 10th Street and the Avenue of the Americas. From there she walked to 13 Charles Street, where she entered at 6:45 PM.; at 6:50 PM, she reappeared and walked to Drossies Restaurant, 46 Greenwich Avenue, where she met her husband, JOSEPH ELSON. They both entered this restaurant. At 7:50 PM, RAY and her husband left Drossies Restaurant and returned to their residence. A few minutes after they entered their residence the lights were observed to go on in their apartment. The lights were extinguished at 11:40 PM.

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It was ascertained from the directory in the lobby at 13 Charles Street that the following persons resided at that address:

Mrs. J. M. KAPPELMEIER
ALBERT E. WARD, Jr.
V. DILLON
ELIZABETH MANGIN
BONNIE MacLEARY
B. E. FUGUA

On December 28, 1945, RAY left her residence at 9:05 AM and proceeded by subway to the offices of the National Federation of Constitutional Liberties. She spent the morning at that address and at 1:10 PM, she reappeared and was observed having lunch at the Horn and Hardart Cafeteria at the intersection of 42nd Street and Third Avenue. At 1:45 PM, she returned to her place of employment. She was not observed to leave the offices of National Federation of Constitutional Liberties and at 6:30 PM, surveillance was discontinued at that address and resumed at 341 West 84th Street, which is the residence of BILLIE HARDY. No activity was noted at this address and at 9:45 PM, the surveillance was resumed at 161 West 16th Street. At 12:30 AM on December 29, 1945, RAY accompanied by her husband was observed to enter their residence.

According to information obtained from Confidential Informant [REDACTED] it is believed that RAY ELSON spent the early part of the evening with BILLIE HARDY and later with LENA and FRANK DUTTO. (X) u 12 570

On December 29, 1945 at 11:20 AM, RAY left her residence and was observed shopping in the vicinity. She returned to her residence at 12:40 PM. She was not again observed to leave her residence until 7:10 PM, at which time she proceeded to JOE's Tavern, 228 West 4th Street. She was accompanied by her husband, JOSEPH ELSON. They left JOE's Tavern at 8:30 PM and walked to the Village Barn on 8th Street, where they entered at 8:50 PM. They left this address and returned to their residence at 11:15 PM.

On December 30, 1945, RAY was not observed to leave her residence. However, it was noted that the lights were observed in her apartment in the evening and there was activity in the apartment during the daytime.

On December 31, 1945 at 10:25 AM, RAY, accompanied by her husband, left the residence. They boarded an uptown bus at the intersection of 18th Street and 7th Avenue and proceeded to the Astor Theatre, Broadway and 45th Street, where they entered at 10:50 AM and saw the

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motion picture, "Spellbound". At 12:50 PM, they left this theatre and a few minutes later entered Harry's Delicatessen Restaurant, 219 West 47th Street, where they had lunch. At 1:10 PM, they came out of this restaurant and walked to the Whelan Drug Store at the intersection of 47th Street and Seventh Avenue. They remained there just a few minutes and from there walked to the Gotham Book Mart, 59 West 47th Street, where they entered at 1:20 PM. At 2:00 PM, they came out of this address and walked to the book shop at 3 West 47th Street. From there they returned to their residence by subway, stopping en route at the Chelsea Food Market, 80 Seventh Avenue. They entered their residence at 2:40 PM. At 8:40 PM, lights were extinguished in the subject's apartment and at 8:42 PM, RAY ELSON's husband left their residence alone. A few minutes later he returned to their residence, carrying a package which appeared to be a quart bottle. It is believed that the subjects may have spent the evening with friends residing at 141 East 14th Street.

The physical surveillance logs prepared in connection with this surveillance have been placed in the case file.

The Special Agents who conducted this surveillance are as follows:

L. MORRIS BEST
H. COURTENAY CLIBON
JOHN W. COLLINS
JOHN J. DANAHY
WILLIS W. FISHER
GERARD A. FOTE
JAMES R. SHINNERS
ROSS D. WOLCOTT

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On December 25, 1945 at 12:45 PM, LENA DUTTO spoke to JOSEPH ELSON and later FRANK DUTTO also spoke to him. Following this conversation, RAY spoke to LENA DUTTO. RAY stated that BILLIE and BERNIE were coming to the ELSONS for dinner on this date. RAY also stated to LENA that they did not intend to go away next week and planned to go to JERRY's house in the Bronx on New Year's Eve, stating it was JERRY's birthday. It is believed that the BILLIE referred to above is BILLIE HARDY and BERNIE is BERNIE STAVIS, concerning whom information is set forth below. *[initials]*

On the same date at 1:03 PM, RAY spoke to a person whom she addressed as "MOM" and invited her to come over, stating that they would *[initials]*

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be home all evening. "MOM" invited RAY and JOSEPH for New Year's Eve and it was agreed that they would go. At 2:50 PM on the same date a person known as BERT (Phonetic) telephoned RAY. He indicating that he was stopping for a drink and RAY invited him for dinner. At 3:00 PM an unidentified man called the ELSON apartment and asked to speak to Miss HARDY. After some delay, RAY advised him that Miss HARDY was not there. At 3:20 PM, JOSEPH ELSON telephoned the Vanderbilt Hotel and asked to speak to Mr. BERRIE STAVIS (Phonetic) but no answer was received at his room. At 6:50 PM, an unidentified woman spoke to RAY. RAY stated that they had just finished dinner and asked the woman if they were going to have a party on Monday night. This woman answered that they would have a party and RAY stated that she and JOE would go. RAY stated during the conversation that she planned to work on December 26th but made no comment as to where she intended to go. At 8:30 PM, an unidentified man made a call to a hotel where he asked the room clerk if there were any messages. He was informed that a Mr. NAEL and a Miss SOLAR had called. At 8:40 PM, an unidentified man made a call from the ELSON apartment. An unidentified woman answered the call. The man inquired if LENA or FRANK were there and he was informed that they were both out.

On December 26, 1945, no activity was reported by Confidential Informant [REDACTED] *u* *b2 b7D*

On December 27, 1945, at 10:25 PM, LENA DUTTO spoke to RAY and stated that she and FRANK were going away over the weekend. She mentioned that they had obtained reservations by calling a person known as HUBERT (phonetic) and mentioning that they were friends of JEANETTE and Mrs. ELSON. LENA further stated that there would be a membership meeting on January 19 and that FRANK would be elected at that time and would go to work the following Monday. From the conversation, it appeared that LENA and RAY were planning to get together on December 28th and LENA stated that there would be a party at the Hotel Albert on 11th Street and mentioned that she would meet FRANK at 8:00 PM. After meeting FRANK, LENA agreed to telephone RAY. RAY stated that she would be at BILLIE's until about 9:00 or 9:30 PM and would meet LENA and FRANK after that time. *u*

On December 28, 1945, no activity was reported by this informant. *u* *u*

On December 29, 1945, RAY made an outgoing telephone call to a grocery store. *u* *u*

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On December 30, 1945 and December 31, 1945, no activity was reported by Confidential Informant [REDACTED] X 2

A mail cover maintained on RAY ELSON's residence has reflected mail on December 19, 1945 from K. D. FRAZELL, 2548 Atlantic Avenue, Long Beach, California and from the Chase National Bank, New York City. There was also mail with the return address, 30 East 29th Street. It was ascertained that the United Office and Professional Workers of America, CIO, is located at 30 East 29th Street, as also is the Photo League and the Guild Book Center. U 8

RE: HENRIE STAVIS, wa;
Bernard Nathan Stavisky

On December 25, 1945, Confidential Informant [REDACTED] reported two conversations in which HENRIE STAVIS was mentioned. U 8

WALTER HINKEL, Assistant Manager, Vanderbilt Hotel, 34th Street and Park Avenue, advised that HENRIE STAVIS had moved into that hotel on December 1, 1945 and presently occupied Room #1321 for which he paid \$3.50 per day. He occupies this room alone. At the time of registration he gave his address as in care of B. FISCHMAN, 60 Broad Street, New York City.

The records of this office reflect that HENRIE STAVIS was a member of the League of American Writers and was a student of the Writers' School in 1941. His address was given as 50 West 90th Street.

The records of Local Board #28, 250 West 90th Street reflected that HENRIE STAVIS was born on June 16, 1906 in New York, New York. He gave the name of HELEN FRIEDMAN, a friend, residing at 1855 Jerome Avenue, Bronx, as the person who would always know his address. In his Selective Service questionnaire, dated June 16, 1942, he stated that he had also used the name of BERNARD NATHAN STAVISKY and that his education consisted of elementary and high school and also two years at Columbia University, studying English and Playwriting. He also studied in Paris, France with various study groups. He gave his occupation as self employed as a free lance writer of plays and wrote scripts for publication and production. He stated that he had sixteen years of experience in this line of work but declined to state his average earnings at this present job and stated that all earnings were on a royalty basis. His Social Security number was [REDACTED]

From 1925 to 1937, he was employed in personnel administrative work by Stavisky Brothers, Inc., the address of which was not given. From 1939 to 1941, he was an instructor of playwriting for the League of American Writers and in the summer months of 1939 and 1940, he was an instructor in playwriting for the Highlander School. From 1940 to 1942, b7c

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he was also employed by the American Institute of Color Standards in personnel, administrative and financial work. He also stated in his questionnaire that he was divorced from his former wife and stated that she was now deceased. He also stated that he had no conviction for any crime.

On June 23, 1942, he was placed in class 1A and ordered to report for induction into the United States Army on October 12, 1942. Mrs. FANNIE STAVIS, his mother, at 1391 Union Street, Brooklyn, was listed as his nearest relative, and BERNARD FISCHMAN, 60 Broad Street, New York City, a cousin, was to be notified in the event of any emergency. He was honorably discharged from the Army on May 26, 1945 at Tuscaloosa, Alabama and had Army serial number 32526086. His address immediately after discharge was the Lincoln Hotel, 45th Street and 8th Avenue. While in the United States Army, he served with the Signal Corps. b7c

A physical description is as follows:

Name:
Address:

BERRIE STAVIS, wa: Bernard Nathan Stavisky
Vanderbilt Hotel
34th Street and Park Avenue
New York, New York.

Age:
Date of Birth:
Place of Birth:
Eyes:
Hair:
Weight:
Height:
Complexion:
Build:

40 years
6/16/06.
New York, New York
Blue
Brown
185 lbs.
5' 8½"
Dark
Medium

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Re: PETER CHRISTOPHER RHODES

The following matter was dictated by Special Agent Nicholas M. Kalnes and covers a period from December 7, 1945 to January 1, 1946.

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On December 7, 1945 PETER RHODES was observed by surveilling agents in the company of a person whose name was tentatively set out as K. O. JOCK or JOCL. Subsequent inquiry at the Office of War Information where the above person was observed going to the upper floors reflected that no person by that name is employed by OWI but that one FRED CARL KOCH is an OWI employee. Information contained in Washington Field office teletype dated December 11, 1945 indicates that one JOEY while contacting GEORGE SILVERMAN on December 11, 1945 referred to a person named KOCH as the man handling the Russians in New York. In view of the similarity in the name mentioned in the conversation with that of the OWI employee, a further check of FRED KOCH was made at the United States Civil Service Commission in New York.

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On December 13, 1945 PETER RHODES was observed by surveilling agents to be talking to a man later identified as CLIFTON R. HEAD in Pennsylvania Station in New York. From the files of the United States Civil Service Commission in New York the following information was obtained concerning CLIFTON HEAD:

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[REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

From Confidential Informant [REDACTED] the following information was obtained concerning PETER RHODES. *b2 b7C*

On December 21, 1945 this informant reported that PETER RHODES was expected to come to New York. *44*

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On December 22, 1945 [redacted] advised that RHODES conversed with one HELEN GEFYEN who stated that she was going to Washington and could be reached at Laddow 7-2875. HELEN stated that she would be connected with DOUGLAS SCHNEIDER in the press section. She also stated that ERIC BELQUIST (phonetic) is now in charge of European operations and that BILL TYLER will be in charge of the French desk. *Q 4* *b2 b7*

On this same day informant [redacted] advised that both PETER and IONE RHODES talked with GEORGE ADAMS (phonetic) who told RHODES that he would remain in New York for a few days and then expected to go to California. *Q 4* *b2 b7*

On this same day informant reported a conversation between PETER RHODES and a man named BILL (probably RHODES' brother). RHODES advised BILL that he is through with his job in Washington and is retired. *Q 4*

On December 23, 1945 informant [redacted] advised that PETER RHODES was contacted by a woman who called herself NELLIE (presumably NELLIE BECKER). NELLIE and RHODES discussed ADAMS, who they said went to France ten years ago and whom they described as a French citizen, a writer and a critic. *Q 4* *b2 b7D*

On December 24, 1945 Confidential Informant [redacted] reported that both PETER and IONE RHODES held a conversation with ARTHUR SILVER who said he was from Forest Hills (ARTHUR KAY SILVER resides at 110-21 73rd Road, Forest Hills). PETER told SILVER that he had come back from Washington and that he believed that it was his last stint. ARTHUR said that he would be in the Army for at least two more months and also mentioned that MINERVA (presumably his wife) is sick. *Q 4*

On this same date PETER GRANICH (phonetic) also spoke to PETER and IONE RHODES telling that he had quit his job and that he is working on a translating contract. *Q 4*

On December 25, 1945 [redacted] reported that PETER RHODES spoke with NELLIE BECKER and asked her to come to his place for lunch at 2 p.m. *Q 4* *b2 b7*

On this same day Mrs. SARO (phonetic) EYTLINGER spoke to Mr. and Mrs. RHODES advising them that she was in town from Chicago and was no longer with the Sun. PETER told Mrs. EYTLINGER that he has a two year contract and expects to write three novels during this period and that he also expects to move to Connecticut sometime in February. Mrs. EYTLINGER indicated that her husband, HAROLD had recently died and that she maintains her home with her mother. She stated that she might move to New York City in the near future and that she would bring MICHAEL EYTLINGER with her. *Q 4*

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On the same date RHODES was contacted by CLIFTON READ who invited RHODES to his place for cocktails any time after 4 p.m. X 4

Informant [REDACTED] advises that an unknown person contacted PETER RHODES and that PETER advised this person that GEORGE ADAMS was at RHODES' apartment and that he is going to STUART CLOUT's apartment at 5 p.m. X 4 b2 b7D

On December 26, 1945 [REDACTED] reported no contacts of importance to this case. X 4

On December 27, 1945 Informant [REDACTED] advised that PETER RHODES was contacted by a Mrs. MUMFORD who discussed with RHODES the possibility of sub-letting his apartment while he is away. X 4 b2 b7

On December 28, 1945 [REDACTED] reported that PETER RHODES made no contact of importance. X 4

On December 29, 1945 [REDACTED] reported that EVERETT COX contacted both Mr. and Mrs. RHODES stating that he would like to arrange a later meeting with them. COX gave his phone number as Greenwood Lake 359. X 4

On this day HAZEL ARANOF (phonetic) contacted IONE RHODES and they discussed social matters. X 4

GEORGE ADAMS likewise contacted PETER RHODES and told RHODES that he was leaving tonight at 11 p.m. for San Francisco. X 4 b2 b7

On December 30, 1945 Confidential Informant [REDACTED] reports no contacts of importance to this case. X 4

On December 31, 1945 [REDACTED] reported a contact between GENE WARNER (phonetic) and PETER RHODES during which time they discussed a gathering at RHODES' apartment. WARNER suggested that RICHARD HENRY XLEE might like to attend the gathering. X 4

The informant also reports that ALFRED STEIN contacted IONE RHODES and suggested that IONE and PETER visit him at his apartment at 115 Central Park West. STEIN gave his telephone number as Schuyler 4-6049. The informant likewise reported that MAURICE ENGLISH contacted RHODES and told him that he would not be able to meet RHODES that day. ENGLISH told RHODES that he is moving to Washington on January 3, 1946. X 4

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Re: ALEXANDER KORAL

The following matter was dictated by Special Agent Nicholas M. Kalmes and covers the period from December 28, 1945 through January 2, 1946:

Through spot check surveillances on KORAL during the above period by Special Agents Walter Nelson, Francis Gallant and the writer, it was ascertained that KORAL was engaged in the activities which have characterized him in the past. He was at his place of employment, 49 Flatbush Avenue Extension, on December 28 and December 31, 1945 and also on January 2, 1946. He remained at home on December 29 and 30, 1945 and January 1, 1946.

The following information was obtained by the writer at Local Board 183, Brooklyn concerning KORAL's sons, RICHARD and GILBERT KORAL:

RICHARD's full name is RICHARD LEE KORAL. He was born at Woodhaven, Queens, New York on May 15, 1924. RICHARD KORAL registered as required by the selective service law on June 30, 1942 at which time he was described as follows:

Height	5'9"
Weight	162
Eyes	Hazel
Hair	Brown

In the files at Local Board 183 there is a selective service occupational certificate reflecting that on June 21, 1945 RICHARD KORAL was employed by the Eclipse Pioneer Division of the Wendix Aviation Corporation at Teterboro, New Jersey as a test engineer whose duty it was to test engineering equipment such as hydraulic air pump starters, etc.

Other forms in the file reflect that RICHARD KORAL attended both grade school and high school and spent one and a half years at City College. The file also reflects that KORAL entered the service of the United States Army at City College on October 29, 1942 and that he was discharged on October 15, 1943 at Camp Roberts, California. While in the Army his serial number was 12414712. It was reported that he was honorably discharged, the cause being set out as Section 7-AR 615-360. b7c

There is a letter in the draft board files dated January 26, 1944 from the Adjutant General's Office reflecting that a physical examination given to RICHARD KORAL disclosed [REDACTED] b6 b7c

There is no information in the draft board files reflecting KORAL's present address but it has been previously reported that his father received a letter bearing a return address reading RICHARD KORAL, care of

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General Delivery, Chapel Hill, North Carolina.

In the files of this same draft board there is contained a file on ALEXANDER KORAL's other son, GILBERT ROY KORAL, who was born in Brooklyn on October 15, 1925.

In a questionnaire filled out by GILBERT KORAL dated November 12, 1943 it appears that he is principally occupied as a student and that he is suffering from

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

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b7

GILBERT KORAL presently resides at 13354 Gulf Boulevard, Madera Beach, St. Petersburg, Florida.

There is being set out below a description of GILBERT KORAL obtained from the files of Local Board 183:

Race	White
Height	5'8"
Weight	110
Eyes	Grey
Hair	Brown
Complexion	Light
Born	October 15, 1925

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RE: ABRAHAM BENEDICT WEINSTEIN

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Donald E. Shannon:

DR. WEINSTEIN resides at 23 Ralsey Road, South Stamford, Connecticut. This house is located on Chippan Point and the back door of the house faces Long Island Sound. There is living in the WEINSTEIN residence the doctor and his wife and a six year old son and a maid. At the Post Office in Stamford, there is also listed as living there a brother of the doctor, MORRIS WEINSTEIN, who is said to be in business at New York. The six year old son of DR. WEINSTEIN attends the Cherry Lane School at Darien, Connecticut. The doctor and his wife are accustomed to leaving their residence and proceed to the railroad station at Stamford each morning between 9 and 10:30 A.M. Living in Stamford also in a house some distance from DR. WEINSTEIN is his brother JOSEPH WEINSTEIN and a sister BESSIE, who up until September 10, 1945 resided with the doctor.

It was ascertained through Confidential Informant [redacted] that on December 21, 1945, IONE RHODES, wife of PETER RHODES, was in contact with a party named MINERVA. Subsequent investigation disclosed that MINERVA was a MINERVA SILVER, who resides at 110-21 73rd Road, Forest Hills, New York. Her husband is ARTHUR W. SILVER, and it was ascertained through [redacted] that ARTHUR W. SILVER on one occasion had been in contact with PETER RHODES. *RU*

Confidential Informant [redacted] advised that the contact between IONE RHODES and MINERVA was made through the use of DR. ABRAHAM B. WEINSTEIN'S office at 20 East 53rd Street, New York, N. Y., and that the conversation that took place was purely social and pertained to a proposed Christmas Party to be held at the home of IONE RHODES. *RU*

On January 3, 1946, [redacted] advised that the secretary to DR. ABRAHAM B. WEINSTEIN attempted to make contact with Mr. or Mrs. RHODES at their residence 40 Monroe Street, New York, N. Y. Since neither Mr. or Mrs. RHODES were at home at the time this contact was attempted the secretary to DR. WEINSTEIN talked with an unknown maid at that residence and requested from this maid in what manner DR. WEINSTEIN could get in touch with JOSEPH GREGG. The maid stated she had never heard of such an individual, and that she had no idea of how DR. WEINSTEIN could get in touch with JOSEPH GREGG. The secretary to DR. WEINSTEIN stated that she would attempt at a later date to contact Mr. and Mrs. RHODES in an effort to obtain information as to how the doctor could contact JOSEPH GREGG. *u*

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Since December 27, 1945, when DR. ABRAHAM B. WEINSTEIN was identified by Special Agents Donald E. Shannon and John Henry Doyle, spot check physical surveillance has been maintained on DR. ABRAHAM WEINSTEIN at his office 20 East 53rd Street, New York, N. Y. Since that time the only significant contact was made on December 28, 1945.

On that date DR. ABRAHAM WEINSTEIN was surveilled by Special Agents John Henry Doyle and Frank J. Nolan. He was observed to leave his office at 20 East 53rd Street, at 7:10 P.M., and he proceeded to 161 West 16th Street, New York, N. Y. Subsequent investigation disclosed that this was the residence of LEON JOSEPHSON with aliases Bernard A. Hirschfield, Barney Josephson. This individual is the subject of an Internal Security - C, Espionage - R pending investigation with New York as origin.

Confidential Informant [REDACTED] who is in close contact with the office of DR. ABRAHAM WEINSTEIN at 20 East 53rd Street, advised that Mrs. LENORA WEINSTEIN, wife of DR. WEINSTEIN had contacted the doctor in the forenoon of December 28, 1945 and advised him that she was presently at the home of BARNEY; that she was at that time having cocktails and that she expected that he, the doctor, would join them for dinner. It was also ascertained through a check of the toll calls made by Mr. and Mrs. WEINSTEIN from their residence in Stamford, Connecticut, that on several occasions they had been in contact with both Mr. and Mrs. LEON JOSEPHSON at their residence 161 West 16th Street, New York, N. Y. b2
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The New Haven office previously advised of a list of toll calls known to have been charged to the telephone of DR. ABRAHAM WEINSTEIN at Stamford, Connecticut. His telephone number in Stamford is Stamford 4-6392. In regard to the phone numbers, it was ascertained that on November 5, 1945, a call was made from Stamford 4-6392 to Schuyler 4-4074 in New York City. From a confidential source, it was ascertained that this number is listed to one MARTIN BAYER, 10 West 90th Street, New York, N. Y. This individual is subject of a pending Bureau case file entitled "HYMAN MARTIN BAYER with aliases Martin Bayer/Meyer; INTERNAL SECURITY - R" with New York as origin. x24

HYMAN BAYER alias Martin Bayer was formerly associated in a business manner with SAMUEL NOVICK, President of ELECTRONICS CORPORATION OF AMERICA. SAMUEL NOVICK himself is subject of an Internal Security - R investigation with New York as origin and is a close associate of ARTHUR ADAMS, subject of an Internal Security - R investigation with New York as origin.

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The file on HYMAN BAYER disclosed that a party named HOWARD M. SWEENEY had stated to Confidential [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau, that he, SWEENEY, was propositioned to do espionage work at a meeting held a few years ago in an apartment of one DAVID MANKOFF. Present at this meeting was SIGMUND MILLER, JACOB ARONOFF, MANKOFF and BAYER. It should be noted that JACOB ARONOFF is also subject of an Internal Security - R investigation with New York as origin and is also a close associate of ANTHONY ADAMS. b2 b7D

According to Confidential [redacted] with MANKOFF and BAYER had some connection with the ROBINSON RUBINER PASSPORT CASE, an old State Department investigation, and that further according to testimony given by SWEENEY before the Dies Committee, MANKOFF and BAYER were active in securing fraudulent passports for volunteers to go to Spain to fight in the Loyalist Army.

A further review of this file disclosed that HYMAN BAYER, alias Martin Bayer Meyer, now resides at 10 West 90th Street, New York, N. Y. and that his wife's name is FLORENCE BAYER.

A review of the toll calls made from WEINSTEIN'S telephone in Stamford, Connecticut, disclosed that on the following dates calls were made to a FLORENCE BAYER, believed to be the wife of HYMAN BAYER. X2

October 15, 1945	X2
October 19, 1945	
October 23, 1945	
October 30, 1945	

According to the file on HYMAN BAYER, his wife FLORENCE is the sister of EDWARD CHODOROV, who is a Russian playwright and is prominently mentioned in the New York Office as an individual connected with several organizations alleged to have Communist aims..

It is noted that on October 13, 1945, that a telephone call was made from Stamford, Connecticut, from the residence of ABRAHAM B. WEINSTEIN to Butterfield 8-8224 in New York City. It was ascertained from a confidential source that this telephone is listed to Mrs. EDWARD CHODOROV. X2

On October 11, 1945, it was ascertained through a check of the toll calls that a call was made from the WEINSTEIN residence to Atwater 9-3160 in New York City through a confidential source, it was ascertained that this telephone is listed to DR. HAROLD AARON. X2

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DR. HAROLD AARON is subject of a pending Bureau case file entitled, "DR. HAROLD HERBERT AARON with aliases Dr. Harold Aaron, Harold Aarin; INTERNAL SECURITY - C" with New York as origin.

On December 21, 1945, Confidential Informant [redacted] advised that secretary to DR. ABRAHAM B. WEINSTEIN attempted to contact DR. HAROLD AARON for DR. EINSTEIN but at that time DR. HAROLD AARON was not available. With regard to DR. HAROLD AARON, a review of the files of the New York Field Division disclosed the following: *DU*

The letterhead of the Consumers Union of the United States of America, dated January 1941, reflected that HAROLD AARON was a member of the Board of Directors of that organization.

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It was also ascertained through [redacted]

A further check of the toll calls made by the WEINSTEIN'S from their home in Stamford, Connecticut, disclosed frequent contact with ESTHER KAHN, who is subject of a Bureau case entitled, "MRS. ESTHER CAHN with aliases Esther Kahn, Essie Cahn, Mrs. Abraham Cahn, Jennie Cooper; SECURITY MATTER - C" with New York as origin. This is a closed file. This file reflects that this individual is apparently Membership Director of the East Side Communist Club, 1-2 A.D., New York City. It was also ascertained through this file that the subject ESTHER CAHN was at Camp Allben Acres, an alleged Communist camp, in the summer of 1940 and that she was elected a delegate to the National Convention of the Communist Party in New York City, May 20-23, 1944. *DU*

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A further check of the toll calls made from the WEINSTEIN residence in Stamford disclosed that on November 10, 1945, a phone call was made to Academy 2-7467 at New York City. This phone is listed to MARY TUCKERMAN, 850 Cathedral Parkway, New York, N. Y. *RU*

On this same date a phone call was made to Circle 5-4000 to Miss RAYCHEL TUCKERMAN. RAYCHEL TUCKERMAN is the subject of a closed Bureau file entitled, "RAYCHEL TUCKERMAN with aliases Rachel Tuckman, Raychel Tuckamann; SECURITY MATTER - C" with New York as origin. This file reflected that RAYCHEL TUCKERMAN resides at 350 Cathedral Parkway, New York, N. Y., with her mother and four sisters; that she was employed as a proofreader by "LIFE & FORTUNE PUBLICATION", New York, N. Y., since April 23, 1944; that further she was born in Paris, France, on January 23, 1907; that she claims naturalization on her father's certificate executed at New Haven in June 1925. The records reflect that the subject's father was born in Russia and entered the United States on June 25, 1913; was naturalized April 23, 1925. Information was received in the investigation of RAYCHEL TUCKERMAN that she received the publication, "NEW MASSES" daily and that she and the members of her family received the "DAILY WORKER" regularly. *U*

A further check of the toll calls made from the residence of ABRAHAM B. WEINSTEIN at Stamford, disclosed on October 2, 1945 a phone call was made to Plaza 8-2132 at New York City. It was ascertained through a confidential source that this telephone number is listed to J. MERLISS, 328 East 50th Street, New York, N. Y. *RU*

A review of the Bureau files disclosed that there is a closed Security Matter - C investigation, entitled, "GERTRUDE MERLISS" with New York as origin. The file disclosed that a GERTRUDE MERLISS, 328 East 50th Street, New York, N. Y., was a member of the Greenwich Village Club, 1st and 2nd A. D. Section, Communist Political Association, Manhattan, New York. *RU*

On November 8, 1945, a phone call was made from the WEINSTEIN residence to Algonquin 4-5707, which phone number is listed to MAX STEINBERG. He may be identical with the MAX STEINBERG, who is referred to in Bureau files as Secretary of District 14, Communist Party of U. S. A. *RU*

A further check of the toll calls disclosed on October 25, 1945, a phone call was made from the WEINSTEIN residence to Riverside 9-3467, in New York City. This phone is listed to VIVIAN JOHNSON, 350 Central Park West, New York, N. Y. This individual may be identical with the VIVIAN T. *RU*

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JOHNSON with alias Vivian Train, Mrs. Philip Lincoln Johnson, who is subject of an Internal-Security - C with New York as origin. At the time this case was closed in March of 1945, VIVIAN T. JOHNSON, referred to above, resided at 20 College Place, Brooklyn, New York. *RH*

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Re: CATHERINE

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Carl L. Bennett:

Informant Gregory

Informant advised that in October 1943 she was introduced to CATHERINE by MARGARET at GOLOS' instructions. GOLOS said that this new contact was to receive the SILVERMASTER group material, and on one or two occasions the informant turned the same over to her. The informant further advised that it was believed that BILL and CATHERINE were man and wife and that they had been married about seven years. It was also stated by the informant that a daughter was born of this couple during July or August 1944 and that they planned to move to Washington, D. C. or Baltimore in September of 1944. The informant stated that she believed that they did move to either Baltimore or Washington, D. C. sometime in the fall of 1944 because she last talked with both of them about this time. The informant stated that she believed CATHERINE and BILL resided on Ninth Street between Fifth and Sixth Avenues, New York City.

The informant also furnished a description of CATHERINE which is as follows: age 34 or 35, height 5' 8" to 5' 9", weight 140 pounds, dark blond hair, blue green eyes, light complexion, slender build, has a feather cut hair style and a small turned up nose, usually wears suits with ruffled blouses, had foot trouble, wears size eight flat heeled shoes, occupation not known, ex-secretary, does shorthand and typewriting, former residence Washington, D.C., probably employed there, nationality, probably a native born American (from Kansas or the midwest), has typical accents and mannerisms of the midwest, married to BILL. Her residence in July or August was on Ninth Street between Fifth and Sixth Avenues, New York City and in September 1944 she moved to Baltimore or Washington.

With these facts in mind, the building superintendents of the various premises along Fifth Avenue between Washington Square and Ninth Street were contacted to ascertain if a couple resided in this neighborhood answering the general descriptions of those furnished by GREGORY of BILL and CATHERINE and also of the fact that a baby daughter was born during the summer months of 1944, and the couple shortly thereafter moved to Baltimore or Washington. This investigation proved negative and further attempts to contact building superintendents on Eighth Street, both east and west of Fifth Avenue, were made with negative results.

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The birth certificates for the Borough of Manhattan at the Bureau of Vital Statistics were likewise checked for the months of July and August 1944 and approximately fifteen days in September to ascertain if a baby daughter was born of parents residing on streets in or around Fifth Avenue and Eighth Street. It was noted that only four daughters were born of parents in this vicinity during these two months and in examining the data regarding the parents on the birth certificates all of these individuals were eliminated due to age, occupation or other similar information supplied thereon.

Superintendents or building rental agencies for the premises 14, 16, 20, 26, 42, 48, and 50 Ninth Street, all numbers of buildings on the south side of Ninth Street between Fifth and Sixth Avenues were contacted to ascertain if a couple resided there answering the general description of HILL and CATHERINE, with negative results. There are still additional houses and apartments on the south side of Ninth Street between Fifth and Sixth Avenues, and all of the properties of the north side of Ninth Street between these avenues to be contacted in order to have a complete coverage of this street.

The indices of the New York Field Division were likewise checked for reference to HILL and CATHERINE, and all references were reviewed and eliminated as having no bearing on the HILL and CATHERINE mentioned in this case.

Reference is made to the statement of informant OMBROSKY wherein the informant advised that either late in 1942 or early in 1943 GOLOS mentioned that a girl by the name of LUCY, a tall blonde who was a secretary or stenographer and who had been doing work for the Russian espionage system in Germany, came to the United States and lost her contact here. GOLOS was instructed to pick up LUCY and this he did, visiting her on two or three occasions. GOLOS was greatly concerned about LUCY in view of the fact that LUCY was an American by birth and normally a person carrying out her duties would be at least a first or second generation Russian. The informant stated that she has never met LUCY and only knows about her through GOLOS' conversations. She stated that there is a fair possibility that LUCY may be identical with CATHERINE.

LUCY, according to the informant, resided at Tranquility Gate Apartment House, located at 39-39 1/2-41 Bank Street, New York City. LUCY was described by GOLOS to OMBROSKY as being in her early thirties, tall, blonde, slender, blue eyes and a sort of "washed out looking look". The general description, with the exception of the "washed out look" is similar to that of CATHERINE.

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The following investigation was conducted at 39-39½-41 Bank Street in order to ascertain the tenants of this apartment house from 1942 to date, in view of the fact that GOLOS' contact with LUCY at these premises were supposed to have been during 1942 and 1943.

Mrs. ELEANOR HINES, the owner of the premises at 39-39½-41 Bank Street, New York City, which is located in the Greenwich Village section of New York City, furnished the following information in regard to her tenants:

She advised that 39 Bank Street is one apartment and from 1942 until October 1, 1943, it was occupied by the advertising manager for the Arnold Constable Department Store and his mother. Mrs. HINES does not recall his name, but stated that he was not married and was in his late forties. The apartment at 39 Bank Street from October 1, 1943 until August, 1944, was occupied by JOHN D. McVITTY. McVITTY was an attorney located with a well known legal firm of the same name. Mr. McVITTY is about thirty five years of age, and his wife is about 27 years of age. Both are blonde, tall and slender and they have two children. They moved to another address on Bank Street, believed to be either 22 or 26. Mrs. HINES advised that when JOHN D. McVITTY left the present tenant, ADDISON BURBANK and his wife moved in. Mr. BURBANK is approximately fifty years of age as well as his wife and he is an artist as well as a writer.

Mrs. HINES advised that 39½ Bank Street is also one apartment and from April 1942 to September 30, 1942, this apartment was occupied by WILLIAM WOODS and his wife, both being approximately 26 or 28 years of age. WOODS is a young accomplished writer and wrote "The Edge of Darkness". He was connected with the Office of War Information, detailed to work in Europe and only recently returned to this country. His wife is an accomplished musician and will hold a recital in Carnegie Hall next month. The WOODS have two children and from the general description furnished by Mrs. HINES, they do not answer the description of BILL and CATHERINE.

After the WOODS moved from 39½ Bank Street, the apartment was occupied from October 1, 1942 until September 30, 1943 by JANE WHITE, a single girl. JANE WHITE'S mother often visited her and in fact stayed with her most of the time. Upon leaving this address, JANE WHITE left a forwarding address of 125 East 74th Street, New York City. JANE WHITE is described as a single girl in her early thirties, tall, blonde, well dressed, musically talented, apparently independently wealthy and comes from a socially prominent family in Philadelphia. A reference address of a person to be notified was left with Mrs. HINES by the name of Mrs. ROBERT A. FRANK, telephone Orange 2-2212, Ilwaco Park, Glen Avenue, West Orange. JANE WHITE was described by Mrs. HINES as answering the general description of LUCY, but this would tend to indicate that

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LUCY and CATHERINE were not identical. Mrs. HINES advised that JANE WHITE had a sort of washed out look and was a well travelled girl, having spent considerable time abroad, and was apparently unoccupied with the exception of her musical talents.

Investigation at 125 East 74th Street, New York City of the building superintendent, Mr. COUGHLIN, disclosed that JANE WHITE and Mrs. QUAY, presumed to be her mother, leased apartment 5-C. Mr. COUGHLIN advised that JANE WHITE is approximately thirty years old and Mrs. QUAY about fifty years of age, and that both are quite wealthy and JANE WHITE is the daughter of a prominent attorney in Philadelphia. Mr. COUGHLIN further stated that both JANE WHITE and Mrs. QUAY sailed for Italy approximately a month ago to bring back a relative or a friend who is an Italian countess. Mr. COUGHLIN advised that the covering this apartment as far back as 1943 is, in all probability, with the original owners of the building, BROWN, WHELOCK, HARRIS, STEVENS AND COMPANY, 67 Wall Street, and under the supervision of a Mr. NILSPAR. The present building owners are WALTER J. HENRY, 147 Madison Avenue, New York City. COUGHLIN advised that the apartment is now sublet to a man and wife, friends of JANE WHITE, whose name is MUMMALLEN, and they are to vacate the premises upon the return to this country of JANE WHITE and her mother. The superintendent could furnish no additional information concerning the activities or background of JANE WHITE other than has been set forth above.

Mrs. HINES advised that the present tenant at 39 1/2 Bank Street who moved in after JANE WHITE vacated this apartment is JERRY DUNCAN PASCOE, wife of LAWRENCE PASCOE. JERRY PASCOE is married, in her early thirties, tall, brown hair and is employed by A. GOODMAN, a dress manufacturer at 530 Seventh Avenue. It is not known what her duties are at this address, but it is believed that she might have been a model or a sales woman. Her husband is connected with the Army Air Forces and is presently located in California. JERRY DUNCAN PASCOE left approximately two months ago to visit her husband in the West and she has sublet her apartment. The PASCOE'S have no children.

The address 41 Bank Street consists of a real estate office operated by Mrs. KLEANOR HINES on the lower floor, the second floor being Mrs. HINES' own apartment and the top floor is occupied by ARTHUR STEIN and his wife, MARTHA STEIN, who have resided here since December 1, 1942. When STEIN moved into the premises, he was advertising manager for News Week Magazine. He went into the Army as a private during 1943 and resided at home during his entire career in the Army. He was discharged approximately two months ago and has returned to News Week Magazine to resume his duties.

Mrs. HINES advised that the STEIN'S are communistically inclined and are recipients of various Communist publications and pamphlets. ARTHUR STEIN is described to be approximately thirty-one years of age, black straight

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hair, round face, tall, medium slender build, and Jewish appearance. His wife, MARTHA, is twenty-eight years of age, has light brown hair, approximately 5'8" in height, weighs approximately 140 pounds, and answers somewhat the appearance of CATHERINE. Another determining factor is that she had a baby daughter born July 29, 1944. This daughter was named MARGERY NEWHALL STEIN. Mrs. STEIN'S mother came from Santa Barbara, California, to New York City shortly before the birth of the baby and stayed for some time before returning to Santa Barbara. Late this summer, MARTHA STEIN and her daughter went to California to visit MARTHA STEIN'S mother and left the baby in California and returned to New York alone. Mrs. WINES advised that MARTHA STEIN receives an income from an estate or properties at Boston, Massachusetts. ARTHUR STEIN has a brother who is a well known cartoonist and worked for Yank magazine.

A check of the birth records at the Bureau of Vital Statistics, Borough of Manhattan, New York City, revealed that birth certificate number 21935 recorded the birth of MARGERY NEWHALL STEIN on July 29, 1944. The birth record reflected that the daughter was born at Wickersham Hospital, 133 East 58th Street. The father's name was given as ARTHUR STEIN, place of birth New York City, age 31, and occupation a soldier in the United States Army. The mother's name was given as MARTHA NEWHALL, place of birth Boston, Massachusetts, age 28, occupation housekeeper.

While discussing the various tenants with Mrs. WINES, MARTHA STEIN passed near the entrance and Mrs. WINES engaged MARTHA STEIN in conversation so that the agent could note her general appearance, and it is believed from observation and based on the limited information supplied by informant GREGORY, that further investigation should be conducted of MARTHA STEIN to ascertain if she might be identical with CATHERINE.

Further investigation will be conducted of JANE WHITE in view of the fact that her general description fits that of LUCY as described by informant GREGORY.

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LAUCHLIN CURRIE

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Michael M. O'Rourke, on December 27, and 28, 1945 and January 1, 1946.

PHYSICAL SURVEILLANCE

LAUCHLIN CURRIE has been under spot check surveillance from December 23, 1945 to January 1, 1946. Most of his time has been spent at his residence, 61 East 86th Street, and at his place of business, 19 Rector Street. No contacts pertinent to this case have been observed during this period.

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Confidential Informant [REDACTED] advised on December 27, 1945 that CURRIE was contacted by CLARENCE GALLAGHER, who advised him he had just arrived in town, and was to check in at the Sherry Netherlands Hotel. Informant advised on December 29, 1945 that CURRIE contacted RANDOLPH PAUL in Washington, D. C. (u)

Informant advised that during the course of the conversation, CURRIE told PAUL that he had heard that he was offered some sort of a job with Switzerland, and that he had received this information from a friend in the State Department. CURRIE urged PAUL to take the job, because he was one of the few men acceptable to both the State and Treasury Departments, and because he has a good knowledge both of finance and law. PAUL advised CURRIE that he was considering the job and had talked to WALTER SURRY (phonetic). Informant further stated that CURRIE stated that there was a lot of money in stake, a big thing for Switzerland, and that PAUL would not have to leave Washington. (u)

CURRIE stated that he is leaving the United States on January 14, 1946 and will not be in Italy until January 18, 1946, and that in the meantime, he will be in England and Switzerland. The informant further advised that CURRIE told PAUL that he would put in a good word for him in Switzerland, and that while in Switzerland he has been invited to stay with the United States Minister. CURRIE advised PAUL that he was going to Washington on Monday, January 7, and PAUL invited CURRIE to stay with him. (u) (u)

Informant advised that CURRIE on the same date contacted Dr. ROSENSTEIN, and stated that the "young boys", in the State Department (u)

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 asked RANDOLPH to take the job, and that perhaps FAGEN was behind the offer to RANDOLPH. Informant advised that during the course of the conversation, CURRIE, and ROSENSTEIN talked about some bankers who might be available for the Swiss delegation. CURRIE stated that the Swiss better not have a banker, but someone in the Swiss Government because the matter is between governments. ROSENSTEIN mentioned Mr. ZACHARIAS (phonetic), and advised CURRIE that this man knows the German bases, and both German, and Swiss law. Informant further advised that CURRIE questioned whether this man could be gotten away from the Navy, but stated that he may be officially transferred by unofficial pressure. ROSENSTEIN stated that this man is now doing very confidential work, and that his mother is from a very old American family. CURRIE advised that the job being offered to RANDOLPH will happen in the end of January. (u) (u)

Confidential Informant [redacted] advised that on December 30, 1945, CLARENCE GALLAGHER contacted CURRIE. He advised CURRIE that he was sailing at ten, and arranged to meet CURRIE in Switzerland. CURRIE suggested to GALLAGHER that he see Mr. LAWRENCE in London, who is M.G.M.'s representative there. (u) (u) b2 b7D

On January 1, 1946, informant advised that MATTIE FOX contacted CURRIE. MATTIE asked CURRIE if he knew Commissioner Davidson. CURRIE stated that he did not know the commissioner, but knew his son. MATTIE advised CURRIE that DAVIDSON is very anxious to talk to him for an hour soon about the Canadian Railroad deal. CURRIE stated that he is willing to talk to him, but does not like that Canadian deal. During the course of the conversation, MATTIE was advised by CURRIE, that CURRIE is looking for a junior executive, preferably from some engineering firm. (u) (u)

On January 2, 1946, informant advised that DAVE from Washington, D.C. contacted CURRIE. DAVE asked CURRIE if he was going to make the meeting on the 12th. CURRIE said no, that he was flying on the 14th, but would be in Washington on Monday or Tuesday. (u) (u)

INVESTIGATION

A review of the surveillance logs as set out in previous reports in this report reflect that LAUCHLIN CURRIE was at 80 Broadway on November 26 and 27, 1945, and on December 12 and 13, 1945. While at 80 Broadway, it is believed, that CURRIE went to the offices of Dr. JACQUES ROSENSTEIN, in Room 3104.

A review of the files of the New York Office reflect that Dr. JACQUES ROSENSTEIN was a Swiss citizen of German Jewish decent, that he is characterized as a shrewd lawyer and financier. He entered the United States on April 7, 1941. He is married and has two children. ROSENSTEIN maintains offices at 1 Wall Street (80 Broadway), Room 3104. ROSENSTEIN is reported to have stated that before he entered the United

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Stated he was engaged in Switzerland for many years as representative and financial advisor for various Swiss bankers.

The New York files further reflected that ROSENSTEIN was born JACOB ROSENSTEIN in Zurich, Switzerland on November 19, 1900, that he entered the United States from Argentina on April 7, 1941. He filed first papers on November 15, 1941. He is reported to have travelled extensively in South American, and is interested in the development of certain mica deposits in Peru. The files further reflect that ROSENSTEIN is reported to be the American representative of La Roche et Cie of Basle, Switzerland.

On November 29, 1945 CURRIE was observed entering 80 Broad Street. It is believed that he went to the offices of Haight, Griffin, Dening, and Gardner, located on the 29th Floor, and that while in this office, he contacted JOHN J. LAWLER, of 48 Sagamore Road, Scarsdale, New York.

A check of the files of the New York Office reflects the following information concerning Haight, Griffin, Dening & Gardner. The firm is a partnership engaged in business at 80 Broad Street, attorneys and counsellors at law. The officers are JOHN W. GRIFFIN, HAROLD S. DENING, KENNETH GARDNER, HENRY M. HEWITT, WHARTON POOR, STANLEY W. SCHAEFER, DONALD HAVENS, EDGAR R. KRAETZER, and CHARLES S. HAIGHT. They represent the government of Norway. A Norwegian Shipping and Trade Commission agency represents them in discussions with the State Department, War Shipping Administration, and other departments and Bureaus of the United States Government.

On November 30, and December 21, 1945, CURRIE was at the Sherry Netherlands Hotel, 59th Street and Fifth Avenue, New York City, as set out in previous report. It is believed that while at the Sherry Netherlands Hotel, CURRIE visited MATTIE FOX, of Universal Pictures, with the purpose of forming a new company with J. ARTHUR RANK, of British films for the purpose of distributing American films in England, and British films in the United States.

The indices were checked against the name of MATTIE FOX, with negative results.

On December 11, and 13, 1945, CURRIE was observed entering the Savoy Plaza Hotel. It is believed that while at the Savoy Plaza, CURRIE visited LEO SPITZ, and that his visits with SPITZ were for the same purpose as his visits to MATTIE FOX.

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The files of the New York Office, reflect that [REDACTED] testified before a Grand Jury, Southern District of New York, on June 24, 1941 as set out in the report of Special Agent John P. Gleason, dated at New York, on July 30, 1941, entitled [REDACTED]

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On December 12 and 22, 1945, CURRIE entered a building located at 565 Fifth Avenue. It is believed that in this building, he visited the offices of Diamond Productions who are engaged in industrial diamonds, and diamond tool business. The firm lists ALEXANDER FRIEDMAN and HERMAN STARR. It is also believed that LEE DIAMOND is associated with this office. The indices of the New York Office were checked with negative results.

On December 14, 1945 CURRIE was observed entering 23 East 20th Street (23 Gramercy Park South). It is believed that while at this address, he visited MAX ASCOLI. A review of the files of the New York Office reflect that MAX ASCOLI resides at 23 Gramercy Park South, and has offices at 570 Lexington Avenue, New York City. The files further reflect that ASCOLI as professor of Political Philosophy and Dean of Graduate Faculty, New School for Social Research, President and Chairman on the Board of the Massini Society, vice-chairman of the Immigrants Conference, and contact of the League of American Writers. ASCOLI is also described as being a mild left winger.

On several occasions, as set out in previously reported logs, CURRIE was observed leaving his offices, and proceeding to 80 Broadway, and also to the Pennsylvania Hotel, with an unidentified man. This unidentified man is believed to be MELVIN FAGEN who resides at the Hotel Pennsylvania and gives as his address, 19 Rector Street, which is CURRIE's business address.

A review of the New York Office files reflect that MELVIN FAGEN arrived in New York on April 10, 1943 under United States passport #34804, and has identified himself as Assistant Chief of the Blockade Division, Board of Economic Warfare, Washington, D.C.. He gave his address as 21-20 16th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. He was born on September 18, 1912 in Chicago, Illinois and had a Selective Service card issued by Chicago Local Board 151, 1791 Howard Street, Chicago.

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A review of the information furnished by [redacted] reflects that CURRIE on several occasions contacted an unidentified man at the Hotel Astor. It is believed that the man contacted by CURRIE at the Hotel Astor were J. W. ROTHMEYER, and CLARENCE GALLAGHER of 1465 Balmoral, Detroit, Michigan, and 14424 Scripps Avenue, Detroit, Michigan. (u) b2 b7D

Confidential Informant [redacted] also advised as set out in previous reports, that CURRIE on several occasions contacted J. W. ROTHMEYER and CLARENCE GALLAGHER at Detroit, Michigan. (u) b2 b7D

It is believed that these contacts, ascertained as a result of physical surveillance and information furnished by Confidential Informant [redacted] have been for business purposes and are either directly or indirectly connected with CURRIE's proposed business trip abroad. (u)

Investigation is continuing to report CURRIE's scheduled departure from the United States via airplane on January 14, and to determine background information concerning other contacts made by CURRIE. (u)

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Re: SONIA GOLD

The Washington Field Division on December 17, 1945 telephonically advised that a confidential source had informed on this date that SONIA GOLD on December 7, 1945 had received from one LEO GOLD, New York City, the sum of \$100.00 and information that an "appointment had been arranged". This Field Division further advised that SONIA GOLD had boarded a train in Washington bound for New York City and furthermore was under surveillance by SAM C. BILLY.

It will be recalled that Confidential Informant GREGORY, whose identity is known to the Bureau, advised that HELEN SILVERMASTER had recruited SONIA GOLD, that subsequently GOLD, through the cooperation of HARRY WHITE, had been made secretary in his, WHITE's, office, and afterwards GOLD supplied information to HELEN SILVERMASTER.

After GOLD arrived in New York City she was surveilled to the apartment building located at 1038 Southern Boulevard, Bronx, New York, by Special Agents GORDON E. CARPENTER and DONALD P. ARAVS. GOLD entered this building at approximately 11:00 P.M.. The apartment which she entered was not ascertained, however, it may be pointed out that a mail box in this apartment building reflects the name of L. GOLD and the Washington Field Division has advised the files of that office reflected that LEO and ESTHER GOLD, in 1940, were listed as tenants at 1038 Southern Boulevard.

The surveillance of SONIA GOLD was discontinued at 1:00 A.M. on December 8, 1945 inasmuch as no further activity was observed. At 7:00 A.M. on December 8, 1945 the surveillance was resumed at 1038 Southern Boulevard but no activity was observed on the part of GOLD through 1:00 A.M., December 9, 1945 when the surveillance was discontinued. At 8:00 A.M. on December 9, 1945 the surveillance was again taken up but no activity was observed through 1:00 A.M., December 10, 1945 at which time the surveillance was discontinued. At 9:30 A.M. on December 10, 1945 the surveillance was resumed at 1038 Southern Boulevard and continued through 4:00 P.M. of that date. No activity was observed on the part of GOLD during those hours. The surveillance of SONIA GOLD was permanently discontinued by the New York Field Division on December 10 at 4:00 P.M..

The indices of the New York Field Division were checked with reference to the names LEO and ESTHER GOLD and such variations as L. GOLD, LEX, LEON, and LEONARD GOLD, and ESTER, Mrs. L., LEE, LEON, and LEONARD GOLD

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were also checked. Information appearing in the files of this office could not be identified with LEO and ESTHER GOLD, 1038 Southern Boulevard, Bronx, New York.

The Special Agents participating in the aforementioned surveillance, in addition to those set forth herein, were JOHN A. O'LEARY, FRANCIS D. O'BRIEN, and FRANCIS J. GALLANT.

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The following surveillance and investigation were conducted by Special Agents Francis J. Gallant and Francis D. O'Brien:

At 3:00 PM on December 29, 1945 a surveillance of the subject was instituted at the Pennsylvania Railroad Station, 35th Street and Seventh Avenue. At 3:45 PM subject was observed leaving the Washington train and proceeding to the north ramp, where he obtained a taxicab. He had in his possession at this time a large brown canvas overnight bag. Subject was followed to the Hotel Aberdeen, 17 West 31st Street, where he was observed registering and going to Room #607.

Mr. William J. Lonergan, Assistant Manager of the Hotel Aberdeen, advised that the subject was in Room 607 and that this reservation had been made by the FRENCH MISSION and had been engaged until Tuesday, January 1, 1946. At the time of his registration subject gave his address as 2325 15th Street, N.W., Washington, D. C.

On December 30, 1945, at 1:15 AM, the Hotel Aberdeen advised Agent Gallant that the subject had come into the hotel at 12:55 AM and immediately checked out, leaving no forwarding address. A check of the major hotels in the vicinity failed to reveal the subject's whereabouts. On December 30th information was received from Special Agent George Davis, of the Washington Field Division, advising that through a confidential source it was learned that SILVERMAN had registered at the Savoy-Plaza Hotel in New York City on this date. Mr. John Barry, Manager of the Savoy-Plaza Hotel, advised that the subject had checked in on the morning of December 30th and had checked out on the morning of December 31st, leaving no forwarding address.

On December 31, 1945 the Washington Field Division advised at 4:30 PM that through a confidential source they had learned that the subject was presently in Washington and had been in touch with his wife, advising her that he expected to be home for dinner on that date.

Confidential Informant [REDACTED] advised that on December 31, 1945, at 8:15 AM, a person believed to be the subject called LAUCHLIN CURRIE and made an appointment for breakfast in fifteen minutes at the Savoy-Plaza Hotel. [REDACTED] advised on December 30, 1945 that at 6:08 PM an individual named GEORGE, believed to be the subject, was in contact with LAUCHLIN CURRIE for an appointment at CURRIE's office the next morning to discuss a business transaction with CURRIE. (u)

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RE: WILLIAM LUDWIG ULLMAN,
with alias: Lynn

The Washington Field Division obtained information through a confidential source that Mrs. GEORGE SILVERMAN was contacted by WILLIAM LUDWIG ULLMAN on December 8, 1945 and at that time ULLMAN requested information concerning JACK W. FIELDS. It was indicated that JACK W. FIELDS apparently was in Washington, D. C. from a New York City residence and is believed to be residing on West 57 Street, New York City, telephone Circle 7-5766. It was further indicated that HENRIETTA (probably KLOTZ) spoke to ULLMAN at which time he told her he would call JACK W. FIELDS in New York City and attempt to get her an apartment in New York City. It was further noted that ULLMAN attempted to contact Mrs. MERRITT of the GOVERNOR CLINTON HOTEL, New York City in an effort to locate JACK W. FIELDS.

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agents John A. Ruhl and Lawrence W. Spillane.

Confidential Informant [REDACTED] ascertained that the telephone number Circle 7-5766 was listed to EIDELL HEIDT, Parc Vendome Apartments, 340-350 West 57 Street, New York City. A check of the New York City telephone directory revealed that JACK W. FIELD is listed at 230 West 17 Street, telephone CHelsea 2-8358 and at 350 West 57 Street, telephone Circle 7-5766. b2
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Special Employee Investigator Robert S. Clifford checked the records of the Credit Bureau of Greater New York and advised that there was no information regarding JACK W. FIELD. However, these records reflected that Mrs. EIDELL HEIDT and her husband CHARLES HEIDT are the owners of the CHARLES PRESS COMPANY, 230 West 17 Street, New York City, which company has a good reputation in the printing field. These records further indicated that CHARLES HEIDT was a member of the United States Army. It was further noted that the CHARLES PRESS COMPANY maintained a bank balance in the MANUFACTURERS TRUST COMPANY, 14th Street and 8th Avenue, New York City.

Miss AUSTIN, Office Manager, Parc Vendome Apartments, 340-350 West 57 Street, New York City, examined her records which indicated that Mrs. EIDELL HEIDT maintains apartment 9H at 350 West 57 Street, New York City, and that her business address is at 230 West 17 Street,

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New York City. Mrs. HEINT formerly resided at the ANTON HOTEL, New York City, and her husband CHARLES P. HEINT is the owner of the CHARLES PRESS COMPANY. She further obtained information that JACK W. FIELD is the brother of EDWILL HEINT, and that he occupied her apartment for a short time while the HEINTS were out of New York City.

Mr. FITZGERALD, Credit Manager, GOVERNOR CLINTON HOTEL, 11st Street and 7th Avenue, New York City, examined the records which reflected that JACK W. FIELD occupied a room at this hotel for a short period during October of 1945. These records further reflected that FIELD is the owner of the HILITE PROCESS COMPANY, 230 West 17 Street, New York City and maintains a bank balance at the NATIONAL SAFETY BANK & TRUST COMPANY, 27th Street and 7th Avenue, New York City.

B. H. FREDERICK, Assistant Manager, GOVERNOR CLINTON HOTEL, New York City, stated that he has known JACK W. FIELD since 1938 and that his association has been on a business basis inasmuch as FIELD sells various printing matter to the GOVERNOR CLINTON HOTEL. He advised that about two years ago or more, FIELD advised him that he had obtained a Civil Service position at the headquarters of the Army Air Forces in Washington, D. C. He stated that it was his opinion that FIELD had been in the Pentagon Building during this time, and that he saw FIELD in October of 1945 at which time FIELD advised him that he had been released from his position. He stated that he did not know anything regarding FIELD'S social position or background, but he did recall that his brother-in-law, CHARLES P. HEINT, had been a Lieutenant-Colonel in the United States Army.

Miss CATHERINE DUFFY, Civil Service Commission, 641 Washington Street, New York City, examined her records for a JACK W. FIELD with negative results.

Mr. PAPPENITZ, MANUFACTURERS TRUST COMPANY, 14th Street and 8th Avenue, New York City, stated that this bank had no record of a JACK W. FIELD but that their account on the CHARLES PRESS COMPANY revealed that JACK W. FIELD, 350 West 57 Street, New York, had power of attorney on CHARLES P. HEINT, the owner of the CHARLES PRESS COMPANY.

The records of the NATIONAL SAFETY BANK AND TRUST COMPANY, 27th Street and 7th Avenue, New York City, revealed that the HILITE PROCESS COMPANY owned by JACK W. FIELD has an open account which had been opened on August 26, 1938 at which time FIELD gave his home address as

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5315 Berks Street, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. FIELD indicated that his business was located at 207 West 25 Street, New York City and at a later date, it was noted that he listed his business address as 230 West 17 Street, New York City. It was further indicated that EIDELL HEIDT had power of attorney on the HILITE PROCESS COMPANY. b2 b7D

Confidential Informant [redacted] whose identity is known to the Bureau revealed that the HILITE PROCESS COMPANY is owned and operated by JACK W. FIELD who registered this business on July 1, 1938. FIELD was listed as thirty-three years of age and native born. It was further indicated that the HILITE PROCESS COMPANY represents the COMMERCIAL LITHOGRAPHY COMPANY, Louisville, Kentucky, and the PHOTOGRAPHY COMPANY of New York City. This informant also examined the records of the CHARLES PRESS COMPANY, 230 West 17 Street, New York City, but there was no information on these records regarding JACK W. FIELD.

Local Boards 18, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 35 in New York City were telephonically contacted, but these boards contained no information regarding JACK W. FIELD.

The indices of the New York Field Division were examined for JACK W. FIELD and EIDELL HEIDT, but no information of value was obtained from these files and it is not believed that any of these files are identical with the FIELD and HEIDT mentioned herein.

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Re: U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION

The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (A) Carl L. Bennett on December 12 and 27, 1945.

Mr. HAROLD FRENCH, Assistant Manager of the Chase National Bank of New York, 204 Fifth Avenue, New York City, made available the information concerning the commercial checking account of the U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION.

A review of the credit file pertaining to the account of the U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION reflects that the account was opened March 4, 1941 by JOHN H. REYNOLDS, President. Mr. REYNOLDS was introduced to the Fifth Avenue branch of the Chase National Bank by a Mr. CHILDS, Vice-president of the Chase National Bank, Mutual New Netherlands, 34th Street Branch, New York City. The credit file reflected certain remarks made by the officers of the bank at the time the account was opened and are set forth as follows:

"REYNOLDS came in today and established the account with an initial deposit of \$10,000, consisting of his personal check drawn on the Bank of New York, Madison Avenue at 63rd Street. By way of personal history, REYNOLDS stated that years ago, he was in the investment business downtown, but he got out of the market in 1928, investing his money in Government securities and is presently 70% liquid. Between his wife and him they own 10,000 shares of Chase National Bank stock.

"As a result of an extended visit to Russia in 1939, when he came into contact with various high Russian officials, he entered into a two year contract with the Russian authorities, giving him exclusive right to export certain merchandise to Russia from sources in Canada, United States and Mexico. From discussing the matter with him, it is apparent the services he will perform takes over certain functions previously performed in this country by INTOURIST, a Russian organization which has discontinued operations in this country. He stated that the source of business would arise largely from persons of Russian and Polish origin located in the industrial regions of the country. The corporation will collect Russian import duty, freight charges and license fees from shippers on this side, on which the corporation will collect a fee per transaction. As money accumulates, the corporation will cable money over to Russia for the account of INTOURIST. To bind the deal, Mr. REYNOLDS is having our bank

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cable over \$10,000 to the State Bank at Moscow for the account of USSR TRAVEL COMPANY INTOURIST. This REYNOLDS considers merely a deposit which he will recover through the collection of duties, freight charges, etc. on this side.

"As shipments are assembled, the AMTORG TRADING CORPORATION will arrange for a vessel which will go to Russia via Murmansk or Vladivostock, according to the season of the year. No credit with the bank will be involved, but there will be a periodical cable transfer similar to the first cable transfer which transmits the \$10,000. Legal details were handled by the law firm of CLARK, CARR AND ELLIS, 120 Broadway."

In addition to the above information appearing in the credit file, there was noted another memorandum dated April 25, 1941, which recorded a telephone conversation between the officials of the bank and Mr. REYNOLDS in which he called regarding stock transfer stamps. He admitted that the present capital of the U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION to be \$15,000, all owned by him, in addition to which he loaned the business \$5,000.

The original officers of the corporation were listed as follows:

President and Treasurer - JOHN H. REYNOLDS;
Vice-president and Secretary - JOSEPH F. MANN;
Secretary - CHARLES S. BANNERMAN;
Assistant Treasurer - M. L. SPECTOR.

These officers were changed and the present officers of the corporation are as follows:

President and Treasurer - JOHN H. REYNOLDS;
Vice-president and Secretary - ELIZABETH T. BENTLEY;
Vice-president - GRACE F. REYNOLDS;
Assistant Treasurer - EDWARD L. BRADFIELD;
Assistant Secretary - ADELAIDE S. CHERNIN.

RAY ELSON was listed as Secretary up until October 25, 1945, at which time she was removed from the list of officers.

A review of the bank account disclosed that the sources of the entire income of this account are the deposits of checks drawn on the Corn Exchange Bank and Trust Company of New York. It was determined by tracing these checks that all of the checks emanated from the account of the WORLD TOURISTS, INC.

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In examining the withdrawals from the account, it was noted that one large check each month is transferred to another bank account located at this branch, which is identified as the U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION - Special Account. This transfer of funds is purely a bookkeeping transaction and represents the net proceeds of the food package business which is transmitted to the State Bank at Moscow. Other withdrawals reflect current office expenditures which are necessary in the operation of any similar business. Rent is paid to the OMNIA PROPERTIES, INC., 30 Broad Street. The balance of this account as of December 12, 1945 was \$19,896.56.

The U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION - Special Account was opened on June 23, 1941 and the same officers are listed for this account as previously mentioned for the regular account. The account was opened with a check in the amount of \$1,361.91, drawn on the regular account, and represents funds held for payment to the account of USSR TRAVEL COMPANY INTOURIST, Moscow, covering Russian duties and other charges. Mr. REYNOLDS advised at the time the account was opened that it was purely a bookkeeping account for the purpose of setting aside the amount due Russia on each month's business and would be transmitted to Russia by cable on the same day the deposit was made in the account.

An examination of all of these cable transfers which occur monthly since March of 1941 disclosed that each month the transfers average about \$5,000 to \$10,000. It was noted, however, that an exceptionally large transfer was made on December 10, 1945 in the amount of \$27,900, the largest transfer ever made. This might indicate that increased volume is being carried on by this corporation. The present balance in the special account is \$8.64.

In addition to the above bank accounts, it was ascertained that the U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPPING CORPORATION maintains a safety deposit box, #513 B, which was rented on July 21, 1942. Keys are issued for this box to JOHN H. REYNOLDS, President and Treasurer, and ELIZABETH T. BENTLEY, Vice-president and Secretary. In addition, it was noted that keys were issued to GRACE F. REYNOLDS on January 11, 1943 and RAY ELSON, Secretary, on April 6, 1943. ELSON's name was cancelled from the list on October 25, 1945 and she no longer is permitted to gain entrance to this box. Upon an examination of the visitation cards to the box, it was noted that the box was entered fifteen times during the last half of 1942, eight times in 1943, eight times in 1944 and four times in 1945. Visits to the box in 1945 were on January 15, March 27, April 3, and May 22.

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent (A) Carl L. Bennett on December 27, 1945:

Mr. A. SUTTER, Assistant Manager of the Corn Exchange Bank and Trust Company of New York, located at Fifth Avenue and 20th Street, New York City, advised that WORLD TOURISTS, INC. opened a commercial checking account during February of 1931. At the time the account was opened, the principals indicated the nature of the business was that of a travel agency arranging tours to Russia, transfers of moneys and the remittances of packages to Russia, serving individuals throughout the United States of Russian descent. Mr. SUTTER advised that little information is known about the activities of this company or its principals in view of the fact that this account has never sought credit. He advised that the account maintains a satisfactory balance, ranging between \$10,000 and \$25,000.

Mr. SUTTER examined the records and remarked that a JACOB GOLUS formerly was in charge of the activities of WORLD TOURISTS, INC. up until the fall of 1944. During the fall of 1944, GOLUS died and the present president of the corporation, LOUIS BERDANSKY, took over the activities of this company. The banking records further reflect that the vice-president was JOHN M. REYNOLDS, who is unknown to the bank officials. Mr. SUTTER, on checking his records, stated that the corporation does not maintain a safety deposit box, nor do the principals, LOUIS BERDANSKY and JOHN M. REYNOLDS, maintain individual checking accounts or safety deposit boxes.

An examination of the ledger sheets for the account of WORLD TOURISTS, INC. over a period of several months disclosed that daily deposits are made to this account, ranging between \$500 and \$2,000, revealing that the corporation does a fairly substantial volume of travel and package transmittal business. An examination of the deposit tickets on the account further reflect that remittances are received from various points throughout the United States and it appears that WORLD TOURISTS, INC. has a wide coverage of Russian contacts in the United States. An examination of the withdrawals from this account, particularly the cancelled vouchers for the month of December which were on hand, disclosed that moneys were disbursed in the nature of regular operating expenses, and the bulk of the income was transferred in large sums to the account of U. S. SERVICE AND SHIPING CORPORATION which maintains its bank account at the Chase National Bank of New York, Fifth Avenue Branch.

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In addition to the withdrawals just noted, there were checks drawn to the accounts of various airlines for travel tickets and to the AMERICAN EXPRESS COMPANY for the purchase of foreign money orders. It was noted from a cancelled check drawn during December, 1945, payable to S. JAY GLASSER, that this individual prepares the audit for the corporation. Rent is paid to the HAROLD CONSTRUCTION CORPORATION. There were also two checks drawn to the order of the METROPOLITAN BROADCASTING COMPANY and to the ATLANTIC BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC. for radio programs. On the remark column of the cancelled check to the ATLANTIC BROADCASTING COMPANY, INC. it was noted that this check was in payment of a Russian program which evidently had been broadcast on November 4, 11, 18 and 25th.

It was noted from the examination of the account of WORLD TOURISTS INC. that the income and bank balance increased during the past few months and the balance as of December 1, 1945 was \$24,459.13, the largest balance that this concern has ever maintained at this bank.

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Re: LEON HELFAND, with aliases

The following was dictated by Special Agent Thomas G. Spencer:

Reference is made to Confidential Informant GREGORY's statement of November 30, 1945, in which she states that one GELFAND, or HELFAND, a Soviet diplomat, came to the United States from Europe with \$50,000 and apparently disappeared with this money. It appears that GREGORY had previous knowledge of the arrival of this individual in the United States, went to Jersey City with another individual, followed GELFAND from Jersey City to New York and then lost the surveillance some place on Canal Street. GREGORY apparently was successful in tracing the license number of the car in which GELFAND was travelling and indicated that this license was registered to a dentist in East New York.

Reference is made to the case entitled "LEON HELFAND, was, Leon H. Moore, Leonard H. Moore, Lee Gwelfand; INTERNAL SECURITY-C", which is a pending investigation in which New York is the office of origin. A review of the file in the case reflects that one LEON HELFAND was a passenger aboard the SS KIOCHORDA which sailed from Lisbon, Portugal on July 25, 1940 and arrived at the Port of New York on August 2, 1940. According to the manifest this individual was destined to Mr. NAUM HELFAND, a brother, who resided in Brooklyn, New York. It is known that the SS KIOCHORDA is a steamship owned by the AMERICAN EXPORT LINES, who have their docks at Pier 7, Jersey City, New Jersey.

The file further reflects that at the time LEON HELFAND made application for citizenship in the U. S. District Court for the Southern District of New York, on July 23, 1941, he indicated he had changed his name to LEON MOORE and subsequently this change of name was legalized. The file further reflects that this individual was attached to the Soviet Diplomatic Corps in Paris, France and subsequently in Rome Italy. There is also an allegation to the effect that this individual was deputized by the NKVD in 1929 to eliminate one BLESSEDOVEKY, who had written an expose of the COMMUNIST PARTY and the Soviet Intelligence System. It appears, however, that at the time he came to the United States he broke off his relations with the USSR, and one of the purposes for the investigation in the LEON HELFAND file was to determine whether it would be advisable to interview HELFAND for any information he might be able to divulge about the NKVD and the general USSR Intelligence system in Europe and possibly in the United States.

According to the latest information in this file, a LEON MOORE resides at 375 Park Avenue, New York City, and is associated with the GOLD HILL TRADING AND SHIPPING COMPANY, 17 Battery Place, New York City. In the December 26, 1945 issue of the "New York Daily News" an article appears, entitled

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"Trader Claims \$234,000 Check Gyp By Partner". According to this article MAURICE BENIN, Bretton Hall Hotel, 86th Street and Broadway, who, incidentally is associated with HELFAND and about whom a good deal of information appears in the file of this case, was accused by MOORE of raising three checks drawn for a total of less than \$300 to a total of \$234,000. Upon the discovery of this alleged fraud, MOORE had a complaint issued charging BENIN with Grand Larceny, and, on the basis of this he was arrested by the New York Police Department.

It would appear from the information contained in New York file #100-42420 (Bureau file #100-139925), that the LEON HELFAND, alias LEON H. MOORE, is identical with the HELFAND, or GELFAND, mentioned in Informant GREGORY's statement of November 30, 1945. However, it does not appear that HELFAND is in any way, at this time, connected with the individuals mentioned by Informant GREGORY as being involved in Russian espionage activities in the United States and no further reference to this individual was made in the SILVERMASTER investigation.

Leon Helfand

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The following investigation was conducted by Special Agent Frank J. Nolan from December 22, 1945 through January 3, 1946 and December 28 through December 30, 1945.

Pursuant to information received from the Washington Field Division, HELEN TENNEY of 2038 I Street, Northwest, Washington, D. C. was leaving Washington at 12:40 P.M. on December 22, 1945 with an unidentified woman.

The writer contacted Mr. CHARLES F. POPE of LOUIS CARREAU, INC., 350 Madison Avenue, New York City, endeavoring to ascertain if there was a tenant by the name of TENNEY. Mr. POPE had no records on the above named tenant, but upon communication with the superintendent of the apartment, BEN L. SASS, elicited the information that a Mrs. TENNEY lived at 150 West 52 Street and that the rent for the apartment was paid by a neighbor. The neighbor a Doctor FRANK EDWURN who lives in an apartment at 156 East 52 Street pays the entire rent some \$1600. a year and has for the past three years beyond which time the records of Mr. POPE'S organization do not go.

At 150 West 52 Street, WILLIAM LANGAN, the doorman and elevator boy, advised that the subject HELEN TENNEY, arrived about 9:00 P.M. on December 22, 1945 and was unaccompanied. He had not seen her since her arrival, her activities being confined to her home. The writer attempting to ascertain the background information on HELEN TENNEY was advised by LANGAN that in the past she had frequently associated with Reds and that according to the chauffeur who drove for the TENNEY family, she had contributed to Red front organizations on many occasions. This chauffeur's name is PADDY BIGGINS who is employed by Doctor EDWURN. LANGAN further advised that the Doctor is supposed to be the brother of MABEL TENNEY, mother of HELEN TENNEY, but LANGAN did not believe this, but was rather of the opinion that the doctor was keeping MABEL TENNEY and that he visited her on numerous occasions.

Arrangements have been made to interview PADDY BIGGINS at some future date.

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Mary Watkins Price

X Confidential Informant [redacted] advised that subject drove to New York from North Carolina accompanied by three passengers, who were to share the expense of the trip. She arrived in New York on December 22, 1945, and stayed at the home of her sister BRANSON PRICE, at 55 Barrow Street, New York City, for one night and then resided at the home of her sister MILDRED PRICE, 420 West 118th Street. She left New York City on December 30, 1945, according to Confidential Informant [redacted] accompanied by an elderly gentleman from Cliffside, New Jersey, who was to share the expense of that trip. She planned to stay over in Washington one night and then proceed to Greensboro, North Carolina, and thence to Charlotte.

X The informant further advised that she intended to see one CLARK, who is believed to be CLARK FORMAN of the Southern Conference for Human Welfare. FORMAN is believed to be located in Washington, D. C. The informant further advised that subject's activities consisted principally social contacts during the holiday season and a few contacts connected with her interest in the Southern Conference for Human Welfare. It is believed that she attended a gathering at 262 Central Park West, the purpose of which was to discuss the activities of the Southern Conference and also secure funds. The informant believes that Mrs. ROOSEVELT attended this gathering.

The Washington Field Division and Charlotte Field Division were notified of subject's departure for Washington.

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RE: FERRUCCIO MARINI with aliases:

Frank Alpi, Fred Alpi, Mario Alpi,
Frank Brown, Fred Brown, Max Favro,
Max Favia, Max Favro, F. Morini,
F. Brown Morini, Fred Morini,
Mario Morini, Amelio Pizzi,
Emilio Pizzi

The services of Confidential Informant [redacted] were secured on December 20, 1945, and to date this informant has advised that subject occupies himself principally at the offices of L'Unita del Popolo, 13 Astor Place, New York City. He frequently visits Communist Party Headquarters and contacts high functionaries of the Communist Party. He is presently involved in deportation proceedings, according to the informant, and is attempting to secure the cooperation of the American Committee for the Protection of Foreign Born to put pressure on Attorney General Clark to prevent the deportation of Italian Nationals to Italy. X4

The informant further advised that on December 26, 1945, two unidentified men, one of them from L'Unita del Popolo, discussed a meeting to be held at 35 East 12th Street, Communist Party Headquarters, New York City, on the fifth floor at 8 P.M. of that day. Among those to be invited was one DUTTO of the Bakers Union. It is to be noted that a close friend and contact of RAY ELSON, an important subject in this case, is FRANK DUTTO of 3040 Cruger Avenue, Bronx, New York. X4

Much of the information furnished by this informant is in Italian and as the same is translated it will be reported in subsequent reports. X4

A mail cover has been placed on the subject and the results of the same will be set forth, if productive. X4

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